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Crown Prince attends race

RIYADH, April 26 (SPA) — Crown Prince Fahd attended a horse race organized by the Fursusiya Club for the crown prince cup at the Malazz turf here Monday.

The event was attended by Prince Abdullah, second deputy premier and commander of the National Guard; Prince Abdullah, brother of King Hassan II of Morocco; Prince Badr, deputy commander of the National Guard; members of the royal family; ministers; top officials and a large crowd of spectators.

At the end of the four-round race, the crown prince handed the prize to the owner of the winning horse, Prince Badr ibn Fahd ibn Saad.

Cornerstone laid for camp

DHAHRAN, April 26 (SPA) — Defense Minister Prince Sultan laid the foundation stone of the land forces camp here Monday which will eventually cost nearly SR1 billion.

The project which will house the headquarters of the Eastern Province Command and two battalions plus a center for the maintenance corps, will be in the context of the ministry's plan to provide defensive facilities throughout the country and fulfill the needs of the armed forces in this part of the Kingdom.

It will also include housing facilities, mosques, schools and training and recreational centers in addition to its own power generation and water desalination plants. Close by, the ministry plans to build a 300-bed hospital and auxiliary facilities at a cost of SR1.7 billion on a 200,000 square meter land.

Egypt seeks solution to demarcation row

CAIRO, April 26 (Agencies) — President Hosni Mubarak called Monday for a quick solution to the last remaining demarcation dispute between Egypt and Israel, declaring Egypt will not "concede one inch of our sacred land."

The president, in a 63-minute speech before the People's Assembly, said "We will strive for a quick and just solution to the dispute that Israel has started on area demarcation in the Tabarea." The dispute remains unsettled despite Israel's withdrawal from the rest of the Sinai peninsula.

"We have no demands but that of justice and we have no interest in territorial expansion, but at the same time we shall not concede and we do not have the power to concede one-inch of our sacred land and we reject any bargaining on this..." Mubarak said.

Israel has withdrawn to the line recognized by Egypt at Taba, south of the port of Eilat, and Egypt's forces have advanced to the line recognized by Israel. The multi-national peacekeeping force in Taba, and negotiations on the dispute are continuing. "We insist on the return of our sovereignty on that spot of territory that falls within our boundaries," said Mubarak.

Mubarak praised the late President Anwar Sadat and said the withdrawal from Sinai was Sadat's achievement. He also thanked the United States for its efforts in mediating peace.

He said the basis for the U.S.-sponsored Camp David formula was the need to solve the Palestinian problem, and added Egypt looked forward to a resumption in the near future of talks with Israel on self-rule for the Palestinians in Israeli-occupied lands.

Mubarak criticized Israel for building Jewish settlements on occupied Arab land. "Egypt does not represent the Palestinian people or speak on their behalf," he said. "But on the other hand, none of us wishes to see the continuation of occupation and consolidation of Israeli control over Palestinian land."

Denying that Egypt had forsaken the Palestinian cause, Mubarak said Egypt would persevere with negotiations on Palestinian autonomy in the occupied West Bank and Gaza. As a first step, he said, Israel should remove its military government and permit election of self-ruling Arab administration with wide civilian powers.

Meanwhile, an Egyptian Foreign Ministry spokesman Monday decried a report by Israeli officials that a provisional agreement on the Taba demarcation dispute had been signed. "We have not signed any agreement yet," the spokesman, Raouf Ghoniem, said.

The Israeli officials had said that representatives of the two countries and the United States had signed the agreement during Sunday night and that it provided, for further negotiations. Ghoniem said U.S. Deputy Secretary of State Walter Stoessel was due in Cairo for more talks on the issue.

In a first-ever joint Israeli-Egyptian telecast, Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin and Mubarak said Sunday they want peace forever. But others interviewed during the hour-long program by Israeli media expressed doubt that the return of the Sinai to Egypt was enough to assure peace if the Palestinian problem is not resolved.

Begin said Israel took a military risk by giving up so much occupied territory "but the essential thing is that our two countries have agreed there will never be war again, never any more bloodshed and that peace will reign between them forever."

Mubarak said he is proud of the Egyptian people, who had always been "a spearhead of peace."

In a related development U.S. President

Reagan telephoned the leaders of Egypt and Israel after the transfer of Sinai Sunday to express his "personal admiration for their statesmanship and the risks they have taken" in pursuit of Middle East peace.

The White House earlier had issued a written statement that it formally took "note" of Israel's return of the Sinai to Egypt. In Canberra, Australian Foreign Minister Tony Street said Monday the return of the Sinai marked the end of a chapter in the Middle East conflict. This was one step in the process of confidence-building and created a model for future stability in the region, he added.

In Moscow, the Soviet Union Monday condemned the Israeli handover of Sinai to Egypt and said Cairo had gained the territory at the cost of betraying the Palestinians. An official statement issued by Tass news agency called Sunday's ceremonies held in this connection were a farce.

King Juan Carlos Monday sent a congratulatory message to Mubarak after Israel returned Sinai in what the Spanish monarch called "a historic day" which "reestablishes the territorial integrity of your country."

In Muscat, Sultan Qaboos Bin Said of Oman sent his congratulations Monday to Mubarak on the Israeli withdrawal. But in the message, broadcast by Radio Oman, he said that to rejoice "should not make us forget Jerusalem, which along with other occupied territories, is suffering from the occupation ordeal."

King to visit E. Province

RIYADH, April 26 (SPA) — King Khalid leaves for the Eastern Province by land route Tuesday on an inspection tour during which the monarch will acquaint himself with the conditions of the area.

Iraq wants APU session against Syria

BEIRUT, April 26 (R) — Iraqi parliamentary delegations left Baghdad Monday for Islamic and Arab countries to press for an emergency meeting of the Arab Parliamentary Union, the Iraqi News Agency reported.

The Iraqi National Assembly last week called for the meeting to discuss the closure of the Syrian-Iraqi border and Syria's shutting down of vital pipelines carrying Iraqi oil to export terminals on the Mediterranean coast.

Damascus closed the border earlier this month after accusing Iraq of sending arms and explosives to opponents of Syrian President Hafez Assad.

Iraq says the shutting down of the pipelines is part of a secret agreement between Damascus and Tehran. It has also accused Syria of plotting to topple Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

INA said the Iraqi delegations left for Jordan, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Lebanon, Morocco, Tunisia, Djibouti, Somalia and North Yemen.

Iraq accused Syria of violating Iraqi airspace Sunday. An Iraqi military spokesman said in a statement carried by INA, "a Syrian military helicopter entered Iraqi airspace this morning (Sunday)," over the northern border, and "penetrated deep into Iraqi territory between 15 to 20 kilometers north of Al Hedhar region" 300 kilometers northwest of Baghdad.

Gold prices fall after early gains

LONDON, April 26 (AP) — Gold bullion prices sank back in late trading Monday after gains earlier in the day but still closed higher than last Friday. The U.S. dollar declined. (See financial roundup page 13).

Bullion prices surged by up to \$12 an ounce in what dealers described as "hectic" initial response to the landing of British troops on the Falkland Islands dependency of South Georgia.

Dealers said news that Britain had taken the island Sunday was tempered by Argenti-

na's claim that fighting continued later, gold prices fell back from the strong opening with the outcome still uncertain. Investors often turn to gold during times of international tension.

At the close, the precious metal cost \$355.50 a troy ounce in London, up \$2.75 from Friday. In Zurich, gold gained \$6 an ounce, trading at \$357.50. Earlier, in Hong Kong gold finished at \$365.42, up 7.21.

The dollar under pressure on expectations of lower American interest rates, fell against all major foreign currencies. The British pound, which was weak against most continental currencies, edged up to \$1.7742 from Friday's late rate of 1.7698.

France urges EEC to tighten trade laws

LUXEMBOURG, April 26 (R) — France Monday asked its European Common Market partners to consider strengthening trade legislation to combat unfair competition from imports.

The French proposals were submitted to a meeting of European Economic Community (EEC) foreign ministers here by the French minister for European affairs, Andre Chanderogor.

Chanderogor, outlining his suggestions to the press, said they would involve a closer statistical watch on imports and the introduction of new legislation to guard against unfair trade practices by foreign suppliers.



ARGENTINE SUPPORT: Argentines wave a victory salute in Buenos Aires in front of their government house and hold up a replica of the British flag to show their support for Argentina in the Falklands dispute. The legend on the flag reads, 'Dirty Pirates.'

Argentina takes case to OAS

WASHINGTON, April 26 (AP) — Argentina is taking its case against Britain in the Falkland Islands crisis to the Organization of American States after announcing a suspension of indirect negotiations to end the conflict peacefully.

The 21 parties to the 1947 Rio Treaty, including the United States, were convening at OAS headquarters Monday. But it was unclear whether Argentina would seek to impose hemispheric sanctions against Britain under the treaty's collective defense provisions. The meeting is being held at the foreign ministers' level.

Argentine Foreign Minister Nicanor Costa Mendez told reporters Sunday night that indirect negotiations with Britain to end the crisis were being temporarily suspended because of Britain's helicopter attack on an Argentine submarine and the landing of British military forces on South Georgia Island.

"For us, this means no negotiations with Britain for the time being," he said. This contradicted an earlier statement in which Costa Mendez suggested there would be no let up in Argentina's efforts to achieve peace. "Diplomacy never ends," he said.

Costa Mendez said the British military action would have "grave consequences for peace" but added later under questioning: "I think we can prevent conflict, yet."

A majority of OAS members sympathize with the Argentine position on grounds that Britain's 149-year control over the islands was a legacy of British colonial rule. But it was not clear whether Argentina could muster the two-thirds majority required to impose sanctions against Britain.

UAE army saves 22 daycare kids

MANAMA, April 26 (AP) — United Arab Emirates armed forces helicopters took part in rescue operations of 22 daycare children during an apartment fire Sunday in Abu Dhabi, the U.A.E. capital.

The U.A.E. newspaper *Al-Khaleej* said Monday that eight children suffered minor injuries in the fire, which was attributed to a short circuit. It said the children were being kept in an unlicensed daycare setup.

Brigadier Sheikh Khalifa Bin Zayed, the U.A.E. crown prince and deputy armed forces commander, supervised the rescue operation, the report said.

Bush reaffirms pledge to defend S. Korea

SEOUL, April 26 (R) — Despite growing anti-American sentiment among South Korean opposition groups because of official U.S. support of the Seoul government, President Reagan Monday said he was encouraged by the actions of President Chun Doo Hwan.

"I believe that the steps you have taken toward national reconciliation since you took office last year are most encouraging," the president said in a letter handed to Chun by visiting U.S. Vice President George Bush.

"I would sincerely hope that the restoration of stability in Korea would permit the continuation of that process in the future," said the letter, which added that Bush's visit underscored American determination to help Korea deter aggression.

Meanwhile a South Korean government spokesman said Bush, in an hour-long meeting with Chun, reaffirmed U.S. commitment to the defense of South Korea and made clear that there would be no change in American policy toward Communist North Korea.

Bush, in a speech in the National Assembly here, urged North Korean president Kim

180 taken prisoners

U.K. recaptures island's 2 ports

LONDON, April 26 (AP) — The commander of Argentine forces on the Falkland Islands dependency of South Georgia surrendered Monday morning after British troops recaptured the island's two main ports, Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher told the House of Commons.

She said some 180 Argentine prisoners were taken in the assault which began Sunday morning with a landing at the largest port, Grytviken, followed by the securing of Leith harbor Monday.

Entering the house to the cheers of her supporters, Mrs. Thatcher congratulated the British Marines who carried out the operation, but added, "I should like to emphasize that the repositioning of South Georgia in no way alters the government's determination to achieve a negotiated solution to the current crisis."

She said she regretted the decision by Argentine Foreign Minister Nicanor Costa Mendez to break off talks with U.S. Secretary of State Alexander M. Haig Jr. in Washington. Haig has sought to mediate a settlement to the confrontation sparked by Argentina's seizure of the Falklands April 2 and South Georgia a day later.

"As the British task force approaches closer to the Falklands, the urgent need is to speed up the negotiations," she said.

Mrs. Thatcher said in retaking South Georgia, British forces were told to use minimum force. As a result, she said, there had been only one serious injury to an Argentine seaman. Those captured were not prisoners of war, Mrs. Thatcher said, as "a state of war does not exist between ourselves and Argentina." They will be returned to Argentina, she said, "about 200 prisoners were taken, including up to 50 military reinforcements who had been on the Argentine submarine *Sanja Fe*, hit by British forces in the opening stages of the operation, Mrs. Thatcher said.

Michael Foot, leader of the Labor Party opposition, praised the "extreme skill" with which the British landing was carried out, but warned of a "deepening sense of anxiety throughout the country" over the crisis. He urged that the United Nations should be asked to help in settling the dispute, saying "the search for peace must never be torpedoed by us."

Mrs. Thatcher said: "We share that anxiety," and added: "Yes of course we seek for peace. But we did not break the peace. While we search for peace, our people, British people, are under the occupation of the Argentine invaders."

Costa Mendez said Sunday that his country

was "technically" at war with Britain after the two-hour South Georgia battle Sunday. Press Association defense correspondent Robert Hutchinson said British forces would likely attack the main Falkland Islands 800 miles (1,283kms) northwest of South Georgia "within the next 48 hours."

The likelihood, Hutchinson said, is that British troops will establish "some kind of bridgehead" in the remotest areas of the Falklands to pressure the Argentines into coming to diplomatic terms over the sovereignty of the South Atlantic colony, ruled by Britain since 1833, but long claimed by Argentina, which seized the lightly defended islands on April 2 and 3.

Meanwhile, British newspapers this morning almost unanimously praised Sunday's recapture of South Georgia Island from Argentina.

The mass-circulation *Sun* commented: "Down in the south Atlantic, far from home in bleak weather and heavy seas, brave men have given Britain back her honor." Nobody in Britain wants war, said the *Sun*. "But let the junta beware. Once Britain makes up her mind, her determination is made of steel."

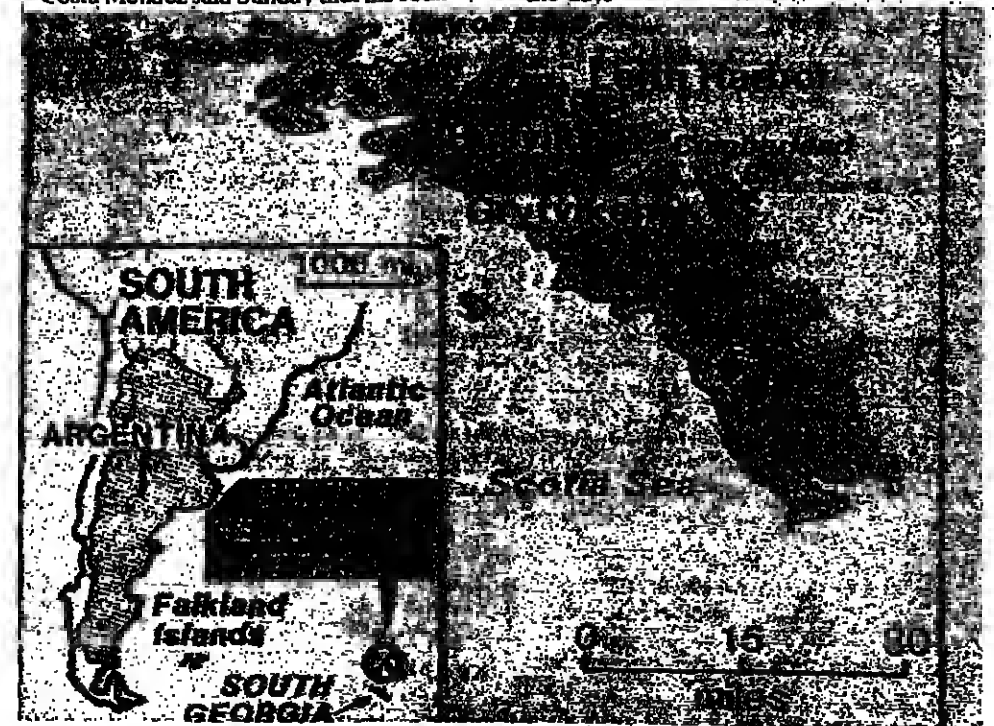
The leading article of the *Daily Mail* said: "After all the posturings and propaganda. There must be a sense of relief at the news that British forces have now landed on South Georgia. Indeed it is a boost to learn that the redoubtable special boat squadron has been there since last Thursday."

The *Daily Express* editorialized: "It is clear that the cabinet saw no hope of reaching a satisfactory settlement with Argentina through negotiation alone. We have not started the war. We are, however, continuing with it. The alternative would have been to surrender."

The *Times* of London captioned that "the landing on South Georgia takes the Falklands crisis into a new and potentially still more dangerous phase. But it is consistent with international law and with the British strategy of seeking to remove Argentine control by a proportionate response."

In Washington as the Organization of American States (OAS) took up Argentina's charge of British aggression in a dispute over the Falkland Islands Monday, President Reagan warned that time was running out for a peaceful settlement.

Secretary of State Alexander Haig, ending suspense over whether he would head the U.S. delegation to the special OAS ministerial meeting, made no statement and looked grim as he arrived for closed consultations to work out details of the public session later in the day.



Reagan praises Chun

in the eastern town of Chunchon burned an American flag.

Government prosecutors last week decided not to take legal action against 42 Christian leaders who called for the U.S. to withdraw its ambassador and army chief here, alleging they contributed to increasing anti-American sentiment.

Bush told the opposition leaders the United States government remained committed to an improvement in human rights but believed in attaining it through quiet diplomacy.

American officials said the Reagan administration took some credit for President Chun's recent decision to commute to 20 years in prison a death sentence imposed on the country's leading dissident, Kim Dae-Jung.

Bush, in his speech to the National Assembly, appeared to push President Chun to allow a greater role for the political opposition in South Korea. Noting the country's extraordinary economic achievement, he said: "The opportunities for pluralism are strong."

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Airport closed for 8 hours due to sandstorm

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, April 26 — King Abdul Aziz International Airport opened to air traffic at 7 p.m. local time Monday after a closure of almost eight hours because of a strong sandstorm which hit the city since morning.

Scheduled arrivals were suspended during the day, flights could take off. Visibility limit was less than 100 meters at the northern part of Jeddah where the airport is located. A spokesman at the control tower told *Arab News* that scheduled flights, which preferred to depart, took off. "The sophisticated air-

Tihama organizes Holy Quran exhibit

JEDDAH, April 26 — Sheikh Abdel Wasie, pilgrimage and endowments minister, will open next Thursday the Holy Quran Exhibition organized by Tihama, the Saudi communications company, in conjunction with Fideurart Edizioni D'Arte di Rome, at the Sheraton Hotel in Jeddah from April 29 to May 3.

This exhibition features a true reproduction of the Ottoman standardized copy of the Holy Quran manuscript in the year 1546 by the famous Ottoman calligrapher, Ahmed Karahisari, for Sultan Suleyman the magnificent and treasured today at the Topkapi Museum of Istanbul.

A team of 160 specialists worked for more than four years to recreate only 1,500 copies the extraordinarily beautiful masterpiece. The Exhibition is open to the general public and will be free of charge.

port equipment can enable planes to take off in such conditions," he said.

Incoming flights were re-routed to Madinah and Taif airports during the day, he said.

The strongest sandstorm of the year ended after a brief spell of rain. However, a Meteorology Department spokesman said the sandstorm had stopped only in Jeddah. The storm, caused by a low air pressure on the earth's surface extending north across the Red Sea up to the east Mediterranean basin, affected most inland parts in the Kingdom.

The speed of the southerly winds increased due to the low pressure and soaring air currents from 50 to 45 knots limiting horizontal visibility to less than 500 meters. The storm began with blowing dust at 8 a.m.

The meteorology department had issued warning before the start of the sandstorm to all airports and concerned departments in the country.

SAPTCO to build six SR400m terminals

RIYADH, April 26 (SPA) — The Saudi Arabian Public Transport Company (SAPTCO) is considering to build six main terminals in major cities, each one representing a huge commercial center that will cost about SR400 million.

Dr. Samir Ghunaim, SAPTCO director general, said Monday after a meeting of the company board here that contacts will be established with concerned authorities for funding the project. These terminals "will have a large economic return for the company," he added.

The terminals will be built in Makkah, Jed-



(Photo by Giovanni Franzoni)
SANDSTORM: Vehicles drove with their headlights on in mid-day when a strong sandstorm lashed Jeddah Monday. Winds were blowing at 45 knots and temperature shot up to 36 degrees centigrade.

dah, Madinah, Riyadh, Dammam and Taif.

The board held its session under the chairmanship of Communications Minister Dr. Hussein Mansouri, SAPTCO chairman. The minister said the meeting dealt with services the company can render to government and private organizations. The board also studied improving route service, means of transport and constructing new terminals in Riyadh, Jeddah, Makkah and Dammam to serve inter-city passengers. "Several decisions were taken regarding these issues," Mansouri said.

According to Ghunaim, the board also

tackled the issue of advertisements on SAPTCO buses and stations. The company concerned will be contacted for taking the necessary steps, he said. Other topics debated included expanding and constructing a number of stations inside cities.

SAPTCO will further improve and expand its services inside cities by opening new routes and increasing the number of buses. In addition, SAPTCO services will be introduced to three more towns in the Kingdom — Hail, Abha and Tabuk. A new inter-city line will link Madinah, Jeddah and Yanbu.

UPM library seminar opens

Al-Khobar Bureau

DHAHRAN, April 26 — A three-day symposium on new technology in libraries opened Monday at Dhahran's University of Petroleum and Minerals (UPM).

With papers and working groups scheduled for April 26 to 28, the symposium has attracted about 100 participants from Bahrain, the United Arab Emirates, Kuwait, the United Kingdom, the United States, as well as Saudi Arabia.

The client of the symposium is to provide an opportunity for librarians, educators, and administrators in Saudi Arabia and the Gulf states to meet and share experiences in the

planning and implementing of new library technology. It is thought to be the first such meeting in the region.

The UPM library, which two years ago was the venue for an international book exhibit has introduced on-line searching of two major U.S. databases: Lockheed's Dialog and Systems Development Corporation's Orbit. In 1979-80, the library adopted an integrated library information system known as Dobis/Libra.

Located in a building with approximately 7,000 square meters of floor space, the library has a multi-media collection of materials, a 175,000 volume book collection, and 3,500 journal subscriptions.

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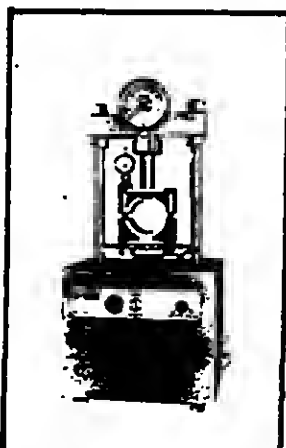
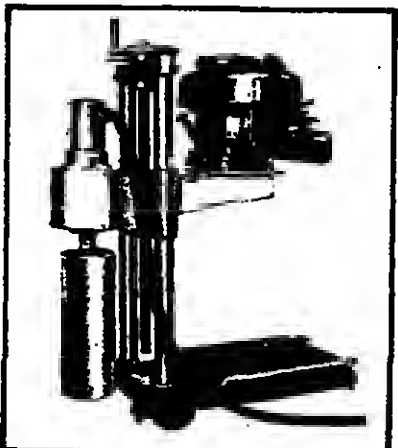
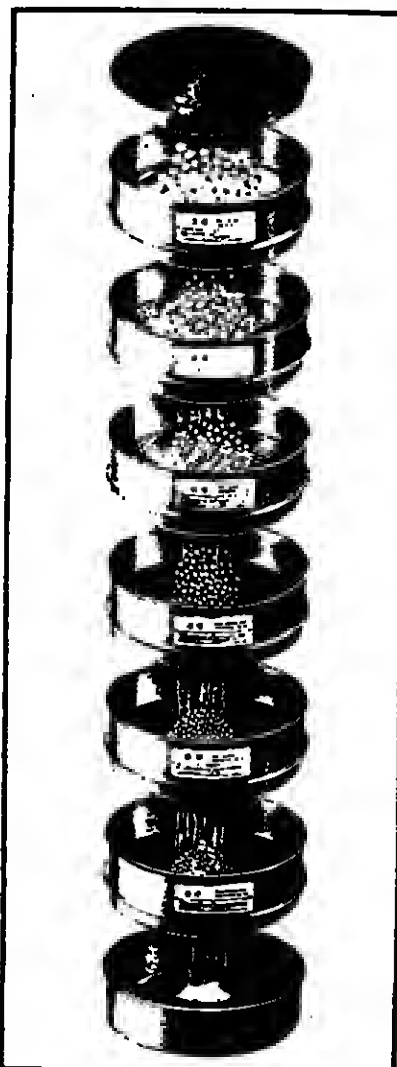
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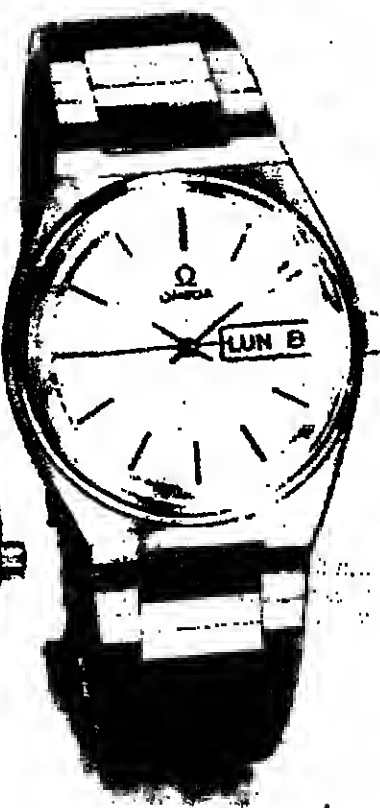
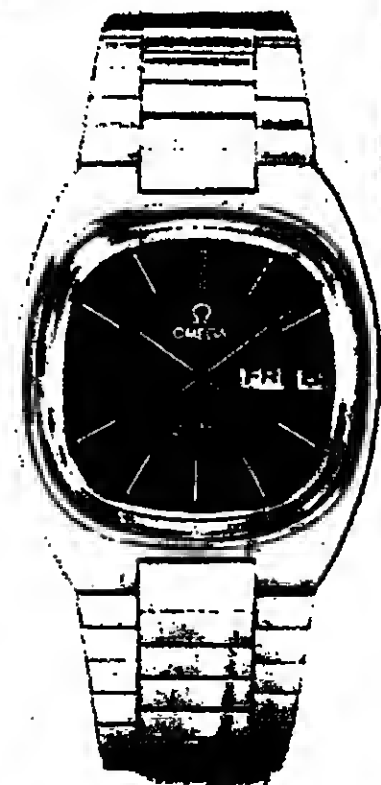
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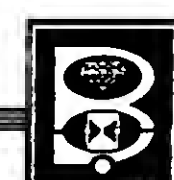


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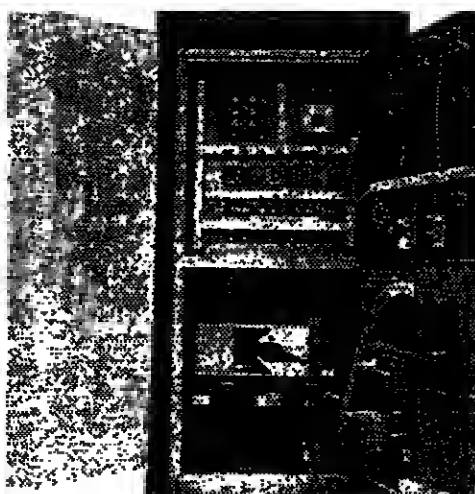
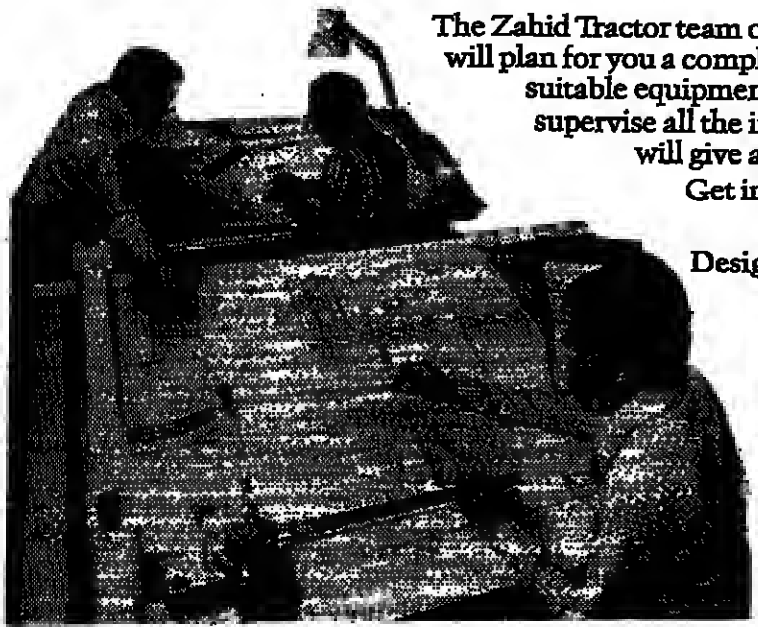
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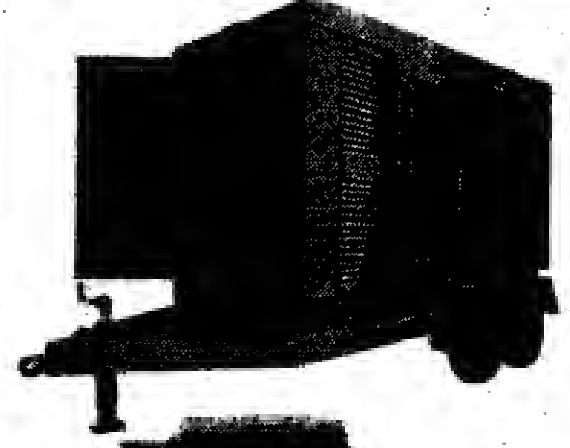
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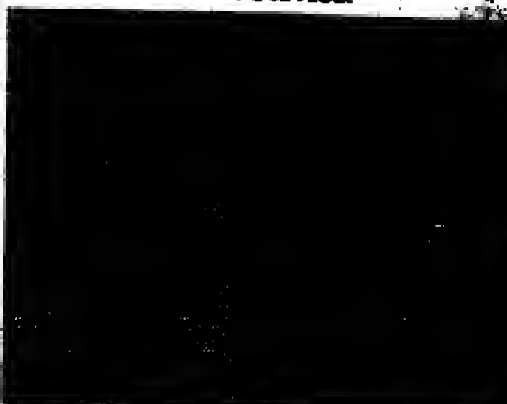
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By Maher Abbas
Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, April 26 — Information Minister Dr. Muhammad Abdo Yamani and his Yemeni counterpart Hassan Al-Lozi will open a Yemeni cultural week here Saturday. The week will be held under the aegis of Prince Majed, governor of Makkah.

Yemeni Information Attache in Jeddah Mutalhar Taqi told *Arab News* Monday that the Yemeni cultural exhibitions, including a plastic arts exhibit to be attended by a number of Yemeni artists. Prominent among them will be Foad Al-Futaih, winner of the U.N. prize for designing the emblem of International Woman's Year. Haidar Ghaleb Abdo Al-Huztifi, Hashem Ali and Abdul Jabbar Numan.

There also will be a book exhibit on Yemen's history, heritage and literature, and ***Al-Yammamah* weekly to appear Wednesday**

JEDDAH, April 26 — *Al-Yammamah* weekly magazine will start appearing every Wednesday instead of Friday, as of the next issue. The move is part of its development program to serve wider range of readers. By appearing on Wednesday, *Al-Yammamah* will be available during the last day of the official working day to serve readers during the weekend.

another exhibition of Yemeni handicrafts, such as the Arabian robes and daggers. The fourth exhibition will be about life in Yemen and various activities exercised by Yemeni men and women. Besides, there will be a philatelic exhibition to display commemorative stamps issued on different occasions.

Meanwhile, both Yamani and Lozi are scheduled to address the inaugural function, highlighting the significance of cultural cooperation.

During the week, a series of lectures and poetical programs will be organized. The first poetical function will be held on Sunday at the government information center. On Monday, a group of Yemeni historians will deliver lectures on the country's history and civilization. The speakers will include Dr. Yusuf Muhammad, professor at Sanaa university; Yemeni historian Qadhi Ismail Al-Akwa and Prof. Ali Nasser Anthi.

On Wednesday, another poetical program will be organized. Yemeni poets scheduled to take part include Abdul Aziz Al-Maqaleh, Ibrahim Al-Hadhrani and Ali Ali Sabrah.

The program will be followed by a cultural show with the participation of Ayub Al-Tareishi, Ahmad Al-Sanidar and Muhammad Al-Harhi. The items will consist of traditional dances and folk songs of Yemen. On Thursday, a literary symposium will be held on the country's old and new fiction and literature.

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RDC conducts economic, business research

By Suresh Shah
Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, April 26 — The Research and Development Center (RDC), attached to the Faculty of Economics and Administration (FEA) in King Abdul Aziz University, has completed over 30 research works in various fields related to economics, public and business administration, accounts and statistics.

According to Dr. Madani A. Alaki, chairman of RDC and dean of the faculty, the research works were conducted in the context of the first two programs for the center. A third research program will commence during the next academic year

beginning in October, 1982. An estimated allocation of SR5 million will be made by the university for the program, he said.

Alaki told *Arab News* recently that FEA has four major divisions concerning business administration, public administration, accounting and economics. RDC provides the faculty's students and scholars with research facilities and guidance.

The center was established in 1975 to consolidate and expand activities and scientific research in economics and administration, and enhance the effectiveness of developing programs in order to cover the needs of the Saudi community in those fields, he added.

Alaki said that one of RDC's main objectives is to offer consultation to private and public sector institutions and organize training programs in different fields relating to economics and administration. The results and findings of research conducted by students are published and distributed among local, national and international institutions.

The management training unit of RDC provides programs for developing organizational effectiveness and administrative efficiency. It designs specialized training programs for administrative personnel interested in developing their jobs within an organization, he added.

Jeddah grain silos sales rise by 48 percent

JEDDAH, April 26 (SPA) — The Jeddah Grain Silos and Flour Mills sold more than 4.77 million bags of flour in the outgoing fiscal year, registering a 48 percent increase over the preceding year and 124 percent over the fiscal year 1979/80.

Of this quantity, 3,765,229 bags contained powdered flour, 881,720 bags ordinary flour and 123,868 bags consisted of wheat flour. During the same year, nearly 5,000 tons of loose flour was sold to bakeries, with a record increase of 23 percent over the last year.

Meanwhile, in the outgoing fiscal year, the production of one-kilo and two-kilo bags began and 92,840 of such bags were sold. Likewise, the bran and different types of fodder commanded a sale of 2,725,623 bags, recording an average increase of 70 percent. Nearly 2,000 tons of soft bran was exported to Bahrain, as the quantity was in surplus of the requirements of local consumption.

BRIEFS

RIYADH, (SPA) — King Khaled received Monday a cable of thanks from President Agatha Barbara of Malta. The message is a reply to King Khaled's congratulatory cable sent on the occasion of Malta's national day.

JEDDAH — Belgian Foreign Minister Leo Tindemans, president of the EEC council of ministers, will arrive here May 1 on a two-day visit for talks with Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal. Discussions will focus on bilateral relations and world affairs of mutual concern, a Belgian embassy statement said Monday.

RIYADH, (SPA) — A SR119.4 million contract for building five main transmission stations for the Jof central electricity project was signed here Monday by Industry and Electricity Minister Dr. Ghazi Algosabi. The contract also covers installing a double-circuit 132-kilovolt network at a total length of 87 kilometers. The project will be completed within 28 months.

RIYADH, (SPA) — North Yemen's Health Minister Dr. Muhammad Ahmad

Kabab discussed Monday with his Saudi counterpart Dr. Hussein Al-Jazairi means of developing health cooperation in the field of health. They reviewed measures to combat malaria and bilharzia. The Yemeni minister arrived here Sunday on a five-day visit.

JEDDAH, (SPA) — The Islamic Committee for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs held here Monday its ninth session under the chairmanship of Habib Chatti, secretary general of the Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC). It reviewed economic and political cooperation among Islamic states.

MADINAH, (SPA) — Madinah branch of the Social Security Organization has granted SR40.8 million pensions during the fiscal year 1981-82, officials announced Monday. Emergency aid during the same period amounted SR3.5 million.

RIYADH, (SPA) — A SR12.2 million contract was signed here Sunday by Posts, Telegraph and Telephones Minister Dr. Alawi Darwish Kayyal for building a post office in Riyadh.

Naif reaffirms state attention to development

NAJRAN, April 26 (SPA) — Interior Minister Prince Naif has reaffirmed government concern given to every town and village in the Kingdom without any distinction or exception.

The prince, who is on a few days' visit to the Southern Region, continued his tour Monday by attending functions given in his honor by tribal chiefs. Later in the day, he inspected the Najran dam and visited the health water bottling factory in the town.

Speaking in a function held in his honor by the residents of Badr Al-Janoub Sunday, Prince Naif said his visit and previous ones by other officials to various regions of the country take place at the directives of the King and the Crown Prince. He added that the aim of such visits is always to be acquainted with the problems of citizens and the progress of development projects being implemented across the country.

The minister said that roads, dams, communications and power projects of the Southern Region have been allocated the necessary funds. He added that his visit to some of the rugged areas was an obligation imposed by a sense of responsibility toward each and every citizen. He said he was immensely happy to be in the midst of the region's people expressing thanks for the warm welcome accorded him by the people.

On Sunday, Prince Naif visited Dhahran Al-Janoub town. He was accompanied by Prince Khaled Al-Faisal, governor of Asir; Prince Faisal ibn Bandar, deputy governor of Asir; and Prince Fahd ibn Khaled Al-Sudairi, governor of Najran. From there, he went to Talha area. On his way to Badr Al-Jacoub, the prince stopped for some time in Zambaba and Wadi Rashad.

Later, Prince Naif visited a school at Badr Al-Janoub to open an exhibition of arts.

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In West Bank, Golan

Israel approves plans for 7 new settlements

TEL AVIV, April 26 (Agencies) — Seven Israeli settlements will "soon" be created in the occupied West Bank and the occupied Golan Heights, Israeli Deputy Housing Minister Ephraim Dekel said Monday on Israeli military radio.

The plans have been approved by the inter-ministerial committee of Deputy Prime Minister and Agriculture Minister Simkha Ehrlich, Defense Minister Ariel Sharon and Housing Minister David Levy.

The independent newspaper *Haaretz* reported Monday that six of the new settlements will be built in the northern West Bank by private enterprise, as land will be sold to individuals. The seventh settlement will be built in the Golan Heights, the paper said.

Meanwhile, Israeli troops shot and

wounded two Palestinians in the occupied West Bank Monday after one of the Arabs pulled a knife on them, the military command said.

It said an army patrol in the village of Yamoun, near Jenin in the northern West Bank, saw two masked men trying to disrupt classes at the local school.

When they ordered them to stop, one of them brandished a knife and was shot, it said. A nine-year-old boy standing nearby holding a stick was also wounded, it added. They were taken to a hospital. The latest unrest appeared to stem from Israel's withdrawal from Sinai Sunday, which many Palestinians fear will bring Israel and Egypt closer to an agreement on autonomy for the West Bank and Gaza Strip — a scheme they reject.

Begin threatens to invade Lebanon

CAIRO, April 26 (AP) — Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin was quoted here Monday as threatening to invade South Lebanon if commandos of the Palestine Liberation Organization attacked Israel from there.

"If they attack us, we will attack them with more severity than before," Begin said in an interview with *Mayer*, the weekly organ of President Hosni Mubarak's National Democratic Party. "If they fired their missiles toward our civilian people, we will think of invading Lebanon," Begin added.

"Let us hope things do not deteriorate to that extent," he said, adding that if the PLO observed the current shaky ceasefire, Israel would respect its commitment to peace. A

BRIEFS

ALGIERS, (AFP) — Algeria has warned the United States it is assuming a grave responsibility for the escalation of tension on Algeria's borders and in northwest Africa by increasing its military aid to Morocco for the pursuit of the war in Western Sahara. The U.S. ambassador here, Michael Newlin, was summoned to the foreign ministry Sunday and officially informed of Algerian fears. The move came on the eve of the first meeting Monday of a joint U.S.-Moroccan military commission in Fez.

AMMAN, (R) — Donations totalling more than \$8 million have staved off the threatened closure of schools for some 340,000 Palestinian children, the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA) said Monday.

ISLAMABAD, (AP) — Pakistani newspapers staged a nationwide strike Sunday in protest against recent students' attacks on the offices of two dailies in Lahore, 288 kms southeast of Islamabad.

BEIRUT, (R) — Lebanon's 140 judges went on strike Monday to press for a long-awaited 40 percent salary increase. A spokesman for the judges said the strike was the only means to get the government to heed their demands. The judges did not say how long their strike would last.

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Second arrest order issued against Ecevit

ANKARA, April 26 (AP) — A military judge Monday issued a second arrest order for imprisoned former Premier Bulent Ecevit, already jailed on other charges, official sources reported.

Ecevit was detained April 10 and one week later formally charged and arrested in connection with an interview he allegedly gave to a Norwegian paper, *Arbeiderbladet*. In that case, Ecevit was charged with "injuring Turkey's reputation abroad" and faces a minimum five-year prison term if convicted. Ecevit has denied giving the interviews.

The second case against Ecevit, which led to Monday's arrest order, involves a letter he allegedly wrote to a Dutch journalist which was later used in a BBC broadcast, his lawyers reported. The lawyers, who refused the use of their names, said Ecevit is charged with violating a military ban on public political statements by former party leaders and faces a minimum prison term of three months.

On Thursday, Ecevit goes on trial in military court on an identical but separate charge, this time for having signed a political commentary critical of Turkey's ruling generals in the March 22 issue of the West German weekly, *Der Spiegel*.

Afghan fighter group claims executing Communist official

ISLAMABAD, April 26 (R) — An Afghan fighter group said Sunday it had executed an official of Afghanistan's ruling Communist Party about 10 days ago in Nangarhar province bordering Pakistan.

Muhammad Yaqub Sharafat, information secretary of Hezbe Islami (Yusuf Khalis group), said the official, Zar Shah, 42, had been hanged after a resistance court sentenced him to death. Zar Shah's position in the party was not given. Last week, the same group said a Soviet adviser, kidnapped in the center of the Afghan capital Kabul last September, had been executed.

Sharafat said Zar Shah had been captured

by Hezbe Islami fighters during a search of buses on the highway between the Pakistan-Afghanistan border post of Torkham and the Nangarhar capital Jalelabad. He had been disguised as a mullah (priest) but had Communist literature on him, Sharafat added.

Meanwhile, Radio Kabul reported Sunday that Afghan security forces killed 66 counter-revolutionaries in a recent operation in Goran district, Semangan province, northern Afghanistan. It said the security forces carried out the operation with the cooperation of the people of the area.

Europeans behind plot, Iran says

BEIRUT, April 26 (Agencies) — Iran's general revolutionary prosecutor charged Sunday that European politicians and capitalists of the European Economic Community and "reactionary" countries of the region have been connected with the recent aborted coup attempt to overthrow the regime of Ayatollah Khomeini, Tehran radio reported.

Prosecutor Hojatollah Hossein Tabrizi, told Tehran radio that the plotters of the coup, led by former Foreign Minister Sadeq Qotbzadeh, had "contacts with the outside, including capitalists of the European Com-

mon Market and politicians were and some of the reactionary countries of the region."

Iranian media reported two days ago that authorities had discovered a coup plot to kill Khomeini and overthrow his three-year-old regime. Qotbzadeh admitted on Iranian television last week that the plot involved the shelling of Khomeini's residence in northern Tehran and then the seizure of the headquarters of the revolutionary guards.

Tabrizi said Qotbzadeh's trial should be public. No date has yet been given for Qotbzadeh's trial.

Peking leaders, Benjedid hold 'cordial' talks

HONG KONG, April 26 (AFP) — Chinese Communist Party Chairman Hu Yaobang and Vice-Chairman Deng Xiaoping "sincere and cordial" talks with Algerian President Chadli Benjedid who arrived Peking Sunday for a five-day official visit. The official New China News Agency (NCNA) reported.

NCNA, monitored here, quoted the Chinese vice-chairman as saying that Sino-Algerian relations are very good and the two countries have also cooperated very well in the struggle for the establishment of a new international economic order. He said China had high respect for Algeria's efforts to promote the unity and cooperation among Third World countries and expand nonaligned movement.

Chinese Chairman Hu told the visiting Algerian leader that his visit will further strengthen friendship and cooperation between China and Algeria. President Chadli replied that he hoped his visit would raise friendly relations between the two countries to still a new level as it is important to strengthen consultations among the Third World countries.

After the talks, Chairman Hu and Vice-Chairman Deng hosted a banquet in honor of the visiting Algerian guests. NCNA added

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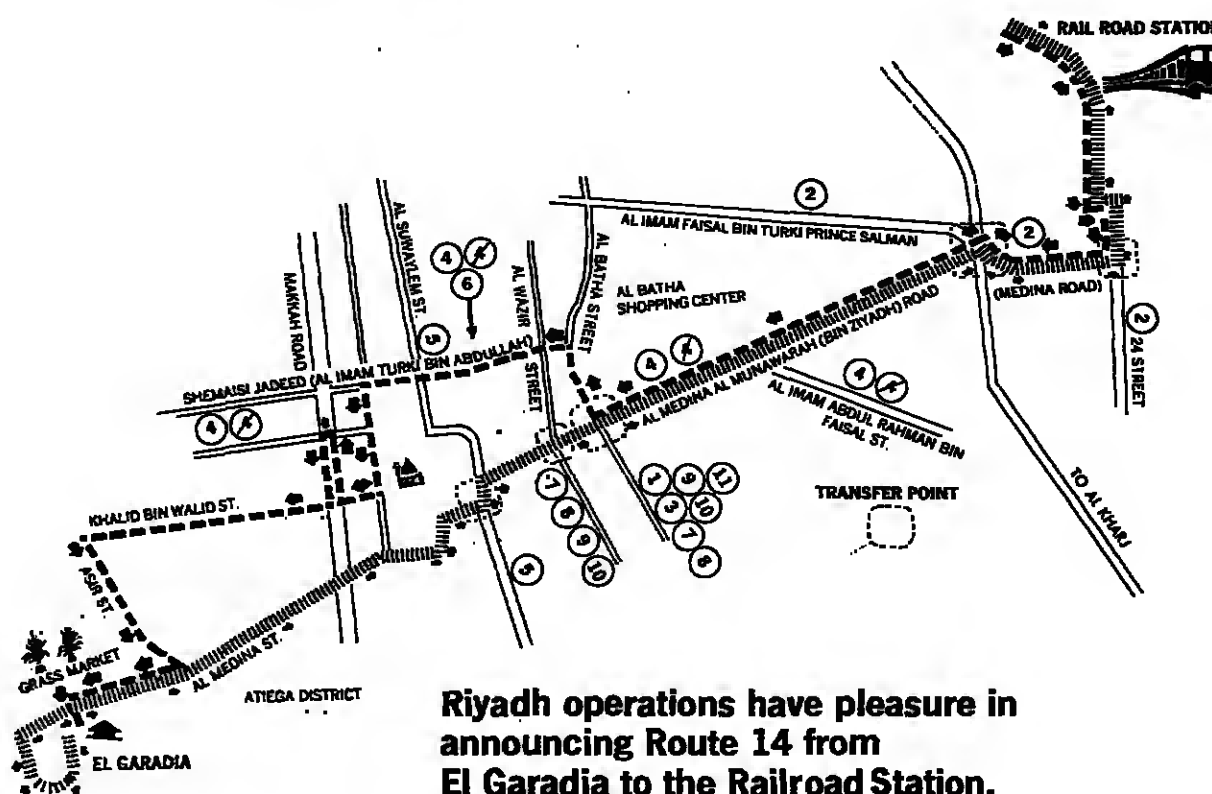
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Best seen by walking

One of world's most beautiful zoos is in Delhi

By Jean Grant
Alkhorar Bureau

NEW DELHI — The tourist fidgeted nervously in the yellow and blue trolley that trundles tourists around the Delhi zoo. Five, ten, then twenty minutes passed after the scheduled departure time. In the hundreds, Indian sightseers streamed past on foot — the women in bright flowered saris, the men in white shirts, navy or gray pants, the kids in shorts, babbling and shrieking with excitement. They stared up curiously at the foreigner still waiting in the trolley and irritably twiddling his thumbs. Eventually a driver hustled up to announce that the trolley would not be running that hour. "The normal man is not here sitting in the trolley," he explained. "The normal man does not pay for trolley. He goes by foot."

Reluctantly the tourist climbed down to mingle with the crowds, dreading the grubby hands begging *baksheesh*. Inevitably the street urchins followed with their litany of "one rupee...chocolates...ball-point pen..."

Such nuisances notwithstanding, the only way to see the Delhi zoo is by foot. To view it from the tourist trolley would be, to recall Frances Cornford's lines, like walking through the fields with gloves on "when the grass is as soft as the breast of doves and shivering-sweet to the touch."

An earlier poet and nature lover, Walt Whitman, wished to "live with the animals, they are so placid and self-contained. They do not sweat and whine about their condition...not one kneels to another, nor to his kind that lived thousands of years ago."

Such equality may reign among the animals in the zoo, but zoo keepers, street urchins and many of the 1.3 million Indians who visit the zoo each year know who the king of the beasts is. And some are eager to share the secret for a little *baksheesh*; they crook their fingers and beckon the foreign tourist to follow down the tree-lined path to see the white tigers, the pale specimens of the species who reign supreme in the zoo — at least as far as the humans are concerned.

Like the animals, the birds make no distinction among their human admirers. The rich and the ragamuffins stretch out their hands, begging the peacock to fan his feathers in the iridescent wheel of fire. But the peacock just struts back and forth, his tail sticking out behind him like a twig broom.

On field trips to the zoo, Delhi schoolboys quickly pick up the ranking of the animals. They know a tiger (a white one at least) rates higher than the Houdini gibbon, the gibbon



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more than the otter and all of these more than the gazelles and goats, stuck in their black-barred boxes.

The country and village folk, on the other hand, couldn't give two hoots about precise identification. A father pointed to an otter and crooned to his toddler. "Look! A kangaroo!"

"They do not know the difference between lion and tiger," said a zoo administrator about the country folk. "They want to see all the animals." And while urban adults usually

come to the zoo mainly for the sake of their children, many farmers come on their own when visiting the capital city.

The zoo forbids entry to pets. Birds flash overhead, racing through the thick-leaved trees. They hoot as if to mock the loss of liberty of these animals for whom there will always be a free lunch. The scaly crocodile litters on the edge of his narrow lagoon, but the chipmunk scampers free over the 500 acres of garden and parkland in one of the world's most beautiful zoos.

Humans mock the captivity only of the mighty beasts. Standing in white homespun on the edge of the lion's enclosure, a sightseer flings water at a lion, then sticks, and finally growls at him — anything to provoke a response. When the lion snorts, his audience gleams.

Bystanders throw balled-up newspapers at the chimps. The male claws up small stones, and holds them aloft, taunting his own tormentors, and poised as if to throw them. The chimp is one of the rare males in the zoo.

"The males tend to run amuck in captivity," explained a zoo official. Consequently, there is little breeding. Exchange, gifts and purchase are how the Delhi zoo gets its animals. The only young were a two-year old tiger, a month-old antelope, and a 4-month-old rhino, nuzzling his thick-skinned mother.

Luckiest of the animals are the leopards in their long, high-domed cage, so overgrown by morning glory that it seems a bower rather than a cage. As they pace and stretch, do they roam imaginary jungles? They look too beautiful to be bored. Do they brood in captivity? And what do they make of the endless repetition of faces staring across at them? Do they blurt their sight to bars and wire and dream instead of vast jungle and forest?

Zoo animals do not suffer the tedious long. They die young, here, as they do in the wild. The spiral-horned eland; the Sambar deer; any one of the remaining 800 Indian wild asses which can run as fast as a horse; the long-snouted sloth bear, the African lion: a meager 15 to 20 years is their allotment unlike man's more generous three score years and ten.

Not all suffer this ennui. The silver-flashing minnow-small mole fish leap against the current up a 2-foot dam in a zoo creek. Half the length of your little finger, these plucky creatures lightly jump 20 times their height. Not one reaches the top. Just as well, for if one did, the current would sweep him down as surely as Sisyphus's rock forever hurtled down the mountainside in the Greek myth.

Zoos are as old as history. The ancient Egyptians had them. So too did Kubla Khan who according to Marco Polo kept lions and tigers in his pleasure dome at Xanadu. Solomon had monkeys and peacocks, and Nebuchadnezzar kept lions. In the 8th century, the legendary Caliph Haroun Al Rashid sent an elephant and monkeys to Charlemagne much as the Chinese today prefer good-will pandas. No doubt about it — there is something in man that relishes the wild beasts.

McCartney's new record album shows reflection, deaths, responsibility have mellowed his outlook

By Robert Hilburn

LOS ANGELES, (LAT) — The new Paul McCartney album *Wings of War*, contains a song about John Lennon. Titled "Here Today," it's a deeply personal ballad in the "yesterday" tradition.

McCartney, who will be 40 in June, reconstructs a final dialogue with Lennon, trying to break through the public feud of the post-Beatles years to re-establish the strong emotional bonds that he felt still existed.

During a brief stop in Los Angeles to record some vocal tracks for the next Michael Jackson album, McCartney spoke about the song.

"One of the feelings you always have when someone close to you dies like that is that you wish you could have seen him the day before to square everything up and make sure he knew how much you really cared."

"The song is about saying to John, 'Do we really have to keep this sort of thing [the feud] up? But we never got around to doing it. I guess we never felt any urgency about it. We were behaving like we were going to live forever, which is what everyone thought in the Beatles days, right?' I mean who ever thought we were going to die?"

McCartney was 25 in 1967 when he wrote "Here Today." He was the most popular member of the most beloved team in the history of pop music — a group whose exuberant message was built around youth, innocence and optimism. So what could have been more playful in those days than a song about retirement — something that seemed a lifetime away?

McCartney still exhibits the charm and disarming smile that made him such a favorite in the '60s. But you could also see gray in his hair and lines around the eyes as he sat in the back yard of a friend's house the other day. He has gone through much in recent years. Besides the trauma of Lennon's death, there was also the Tokyo drug bust (marijuana possession) in 1980 that could have resulted in a lengthy prison sentence. Plus: the death of Elton Presley, McCartney's first rock hero. And, the responsibilities of raising four children.

Still it is no wonder there is a lot of reflection in the new *Wings of War* album, easily the most satisfying work from McCartney since his *Band on the Run*, and *Venus and Mars* period in the mid '70s.

For all his craftsmanship, McCartney has been frequently ridiculed by critics for the lack of substance in his music. But *Wings of War* abounds with commentary, though much of it is packaged in such bright colors that the LP's tone remains hopeful. The album, which reunites McCartney with Beatles producer George Martin, features such guest musicians as Stevie Wonder, Ringo Starr, Carl Blue Soledad Shivers Perkins and bassist Stanley Clarke.

The tracks on *Wings of War* range from the reassuring *Somebody Who Cares* to the title tune, a richly designed but melancholy statement about life's struggles. The most immediately accessible number is *Ebony and Ivory*, a graceful expression of brotherhood that features a duet with Stevie Wonder. Released as a single, *Ebony and Ivory* is the latest rising record, ironically, since John Lennon's *Imagine* a decade ago.

About the album's reflective theme, McCartney said: At one time, I didn't think life was a tug of war. Even when I wrote "Here Today," I had the feeling that everything was possible. They age 64 seemed as far away to me as 150.

"It's not until you get into your 30s that you start seeing the other side of it. You see how your life can be affected by things that are irrational and beyond your control. You suddenly begin to realize how delicate everything is."

McCartney responded quickly and seemed especially pleased with his new album and was excited about working with musicians the caliber of Wonder and Jackson.

QUESTION: Why did you decide to work with (Beatles producer) George Martin again? Do you think you may have avoided working with him before because of his ties to the Beatles days?

A: "Yes. Normally, I just sort of run in and start the album, but this time we did a lot of preparation ahead of time. For one thing, we

decided not to use the other guys in Wings. I wanted the freedom to use anyone. If I made another album with Wings, I felt I'd be limiting myself. If I wanted a certain guitar sound, I wanted to be able to get the right guitarist. So we ended up casting each part just the way you might in a movie."

Q: When you wrote "Here Today," what did you think you'd be doing at 40?

A: "We used to laugh at the idea of still rocking at 40. I remember when I was a kid and there'd be these pop guys, like Frank Ifield, who seemed ancient and he was only 25. We were sure the whole thing would be over at 30. Then, you start pushing it back to 35 and 40 and, now...45? The truth is I'm still very excited about the future musically. I suddenly realized I've got millions of musical ambitions. There are so many things I still haven't done. It's been real liberating working with some of these new musicians."

Q: Did you approach the new album differently from the others with wings?

A: "Yes. Normally, I just sort of run in and start the album, but this time we did a lot of preparation ahead of time. For one thing, we

World of art loses its glitter

Losses threaten famous auction houses

LONDON, (R) — Sotheby's, the auction house that has sold everything from a satellite channel to African zebras, is expected to lose money this year for the first time in its 269-year history.

Lord Westmoreland, head of Sotheby's, predicted that low sales volume would mean a pre-tax loss for the financial year ending in July when he announced earlier this month that he was stepping down as part of a major overhaul of management.

Other major international auction houses like Sotheby's cross-town rival, Christie's, are simply not doing enough business because investing in the world of art has lost much of its allure, according to art dealers.

The antiques business, from which the auction houses earn their bread and butter, has fallen flat, both because of the recession and the attractiveness of high interest rates that are far less risky than fragile porcelain vases. The days when socialites and curiosity-seekers jostled for space in the auction rooms to witness sales of the great masters and furnishings from the palaces of Europe have become few and far between.

Christie's said recently that while it expected to report a profit this year, its volume of business was inadequate when measured against sharply rising costs. But the financial problem is more acute at Sotheby's, where the number of employees has been cut by 20 percent and operations are being streamlined in keeping with the slower pace of business. The prospect of a loss this year is in sharp contrast to last year's profits of over \$12.25 million.

An auction showroom in London's fashionable Belgrave district is being shut down, for example, and sales operations in London consolidated at Sotheby's headquarters in Bond Street. Some market analysts, who have watched Sotheby's shares retreat this year because of the grim financial outlook, believe further retrenchments in the firm's operations in over 20 countries might be needed to ride out the slump.

Sotheby's and Christie's are also suffering from their decision to charge both the buyer and seller commissions, which they argued was essential because of the mounting costs

for such things as printing expensive catalogs and advertising sales.

Dealers say they have made it clear to the auction houses that they deeply resent double-charging — previously only the seller paid commission — and some suggest they are looking for ways to bypass the rooms at Sotheby's and Christie's.

Stock market analysts, however, doubt

whether the loss of business to other channels poses a real challenge to the major auction houses, which over the years have built up a vast network of customers around the world.

Analysts say that while the auction houses can count on a steady trade in important works of art as they are placed on the market, the big expansion of the art market in recent years has been at the lower end of the scale.



BULLOCK EXIT: Sculptor Brian helps one of two lifelike bullcows out of his third floor studio window in London. The statues were created for a museum exhibit in central London.

Japanese 731st unit conducted experiments on prisoners of war

By Jim Abrams

TOKYO (AP) — The best-selling book in Japan since early this year has been a documentary of Japanese Imperial Army atrocities against prisoners during World War II, a tale of horror which testifies that the war still gnaws at the national conscience and profits its storytellers.

"Akuma No Hoshoku" (The Devil's Gluttony) describes the Kwantung army's top-secret 731st unit. It is believed to have killed as many as 3,000 Chinese, Soviet and Korean prisoners during the war in carrying out a gruesome array of bacteriological and other experiments.

The story told by author Seiichi Morimura — normally a popular writer of best-selling mysteries — is not entirely new, but since its release in December the book has sold 700,000 copies, the hottest item among several World War II-related books and movies that currently are educating, enlightening and sometimes shocking the Japanese.

By contrast with most material, in which Japan rarely is depicted as a transgressor, Morimura's book tells in horrifying detail how the germ warfare unit in Manchuria injected victims with typhus, cholera and plague germs, did live dissections, froze prisoners to death in cold-endurance tests, blasted prisoners apart in grenade tests, and when Soviet troops arrived at war's end, gassed the last POWs to death.

(An article in the U.S. publication, the bulletin of the atomic scientists, last year claimed that some American prisoners were involved in the tests. It said this was confirmed in a 1956 FBI memo, and also said U.S. authorities knew it when they chose not to try the Japanese responsible as war criminals — supposedly in exchange for data obtained in the experiments.)

Another example of the popularity of war themes was Japan's most popular 1981 movie, *Brengo Kanai* (The Grand Fleet), a saga of Japan's navy from Pearl Harbor to the sinking of the super battleship *Yamato* in 1945. The film's makers, Toho, plan three more World War II films this year.

The rival Toei Company will soon release a movie in which the hero is Japan's wartime prime minister, Gen. Hideki Tojo, who was executed as a war criminal. The film reportedly treats him with relative sympathy.

One major publisher has begun selling a 20-volume, detailed history of the Pacific air war, while another offers a 17-volume series of personal war experiences heavily laced with suffering and self-justifications.

Japan's vocal anti-war groups are concerned about the "war boom" and the impressions it may have on Japanese youth, who are taught little about their nation's march to military self-destruction.

"Young people go to war movies today the way we went to American Westerns or Samurai films when we were kids," said Ryoza Watanabe, sociology of law professor at Tokyo University. "It's all ancient history

to them, with no meaning to their lives."

By contrast with the dry, rather objective tone of such films is the West German picture *Das Boot*, a World War II U-boat epic now playing to large audiences in Tokyo. Japanese war movies are "emotional, tragic and tearful," said the major daily *Asahi Shimbun*.

Typical is Toho's soon-to-be-released *Himeyuri-No-V to 59* (Himeyuri Tower), in which several young female pop stars have leading roles in telling the well-known story of a group of schoolgirls killed in the U.S. invasion of Okinawa in 1945.

Despite interest in war themes, the Japanese — more than half of whom were born since the 1945 surrender — show little interest in Japan's imperial past, Watanabe said.

A survey by the *Yomiuri Shimbun* found that only 21 percent of people in their 20s connected Dec. 8 (Dec. 7 in some parts of the world) with the start of the Pacific war. For almost a third of those in this age group, the name "Pearl Harbor" first conjures up images of honeymoons and travel, the poll showed.

A battle for the hearts and minds of indifferent youth is being fought over school textbooks, with the pro-defense conservative government trying to tone down critical accounts of Japan's involvement, while other groups urge more graphic treatment of war's inhumanity.

Japan's large and active anti-war factions, including novelists and filmmakers, generally condemn war only from the standpoint of Japan's own suffering — three million casualties, fire bombings of its cities and atomic attacks on Hiroshima and Nagasaki. The Imperial Army's brutal subjugation of much of Asia is not mentioned.

Unlike Germany, which purged its Nazis, there is little consciousness here of having fought an aggressive war. Japanese tend to forget had things quickly," Watanabe said. Thus, he said, young Japanese have only vague knowledge of the army's massacre of civilians at Nanking, or the cruelty of colonial rule in Korea and Taiwan.

He said that although the germ unit's activities were touched on at war tribunals in Khabarovsk, Siberia, after the war and in various historical accounts, few Japanese knew of its existence.

One reason, he said, was that unit members, sworn to secrecy when the war ended, have only now begun to "unload their burden," but it is also a story, he said, that Japanese have not been eager to hear.

Morimura said he received 1,000 letters and telephone calls, some branding him a "Communist" or a "traitor," but most from young people expressing surprise and shock that their own nation was capable of such savagery.

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New Brazil reservation protects Amazon tribe

By Harold Olmos

BRASILIA, Brazil (AP) — The Yanomani Indians, one of the last and largest primitive tribes in South America, have scored at least a temporary victory over the advance of white civilization in the Amazon jungle.

Interior Minister Mario Andreazza recently signed a bill creating a huge reservation for the Yanomani in northern Brazil, along the border with Venezuela in an area about the size of Belgium and Switzerland combined.

The bill means, at least in theory, that the Yanomani can continue their nomadic lifestyle, free from incursions by poachers and fortune seekers looking for the uranium, gold, diamonds and tin believed to exist in the region.

The Yanomani themselves probably never heard of the bill or Andreazza or even Brazil. They are perhaps the most primitive of the primitive South American tribes, living the way their ancestors did 2,000 or even 3,000 years ago.

"They are unique," says Paulo Moreira Leal, president of Brazil's government Indian Bureau known as Funai. "Although they live on the banks of rivers, many have never seen canoes or paddles. Others still use stone axes."

"Our job is to win their confidence and give them support," he said.

Leal said that Funai planned to create 10 control posts in strategic areas in the new reservation to look after the 3,400 Yanomani believed to live in the region.

About the same number are thought to live in Venezuela, according to the Venezuelan Embassy here. But they apparently are less threatened by "civilization" than their Brazilian counterparts because the area is still far from being settled.

The Yanomani — also known as the Yanomama, Yanomamas or Yanoamas — historically had little contact with outsiders. The high mountains and fast-flowing rivers of their region made access to their lands too difficult.

But white civilization drew closer with the partial construction of a highway through the Amazon jungle. And in closed in even more when highway workers discovered radioactive minerals in the Surucucu Mountains, near Yanomani land.

The discovery attracted waves of prospectors. And with them they brought germs and diseases that often proved deadly to the Yanomani.

International organizations supportive of primitive peoples began to express concern for the future of the tribe.

"A common cold frequently was fatal to

the Indians because they had no defense mechanisms against the germs," said a Funai spokesman who asked not to be identified. "Many, perhaps dozens, died."

The highway was abandoned, however, in the late 1970s when the Brazilian government no longer considered it a priority development project. The Indians have been more or less left alone since.

A former governor of the Brazilian federal territory of Roraima, which contains most of the Yanomani lands on this side of the border, once was reported as saying, "an area like this cannot afford the luxury of preserving half a dozen Indian tribes for the sake of progress."

But the current governor, as well as other local officials, say they will protect the Yanomani, and they point to the new reservation as proof.

Indian experts have praised the creation of the Yanomani reservation. At the same time, however, they admit that sooner or later the tribe will be absorbed by the white civilization that surrounds them.

"There are no niches or glass houses," said anthropologist and Indian expert Sonia de Almeida Demarquet.

"What we have to do is control that contact so the Indians conserve and respect their values, even when they become part of the modern world," she said.

Meanwhile, anthropologists are studying the Yanomani.

They have found, for example, that the Yanomani live in large communal huts called "Malocas" that hold up to 200 people. Although the Indians are nomadic, they may cultivate a piece of land for two or three years, growing corn and manioc, a tapioca-like root that serves as their "bread." When they move on, they almost never return.

"The Yanomani are excellent preservers of the ecosystem," says Miss Demarquet. "They know, intuitively, that they must preserve nature for their own sake."

Researchers found that when the tribe reaches a certain size, it simply splits up into various groups. Miss Demarquet calls it "a way to balance the economic structure of the village and relieve the pressure caused by too many people. They prefer to split up before they create tensions."

Anthropologists now are lobbying for the creation of a Yanomani National Park, which they say will give the Indians more legal safeguards against unwanted intruders.

"The Yanomani need two things," says Indian expert Memelia Moreira. "Space. I keep the freedom to roam they have always enjoyed, and time, to assimilate a culture that little by little should become less strange to them."

Most distant observable objects

Quasars appear as pinpoints of intense light; astronomers take a closer look at their center

By George Alexander

LOS ANGELES (LAT) — A team of California Institute of Technology astronomers has found the first substantive evidence that quasars — those extremely bright, mysterious objects scattered throughout the heavens — are actually located at the centers of star-filled galaxies.

Astronomers have long believed quasars to be the active nuclei of galaxies, but have so far been unable to see a galaxy surrounding a quasar clearly. This is because quasars are so distant that they appear on telescopes as little more than pinpoints of intense light. Moreover, their brightness swamps the light of anything else in their immediate vicinity, although some astronomers have detected little patches of faint, "fuzzy" light around some.

Now, using sensitive electronic detectors attached to the 200-inch Palomar Mountain telescope near San Diego, Prof. J. Beverly Oke and research fellow, Todd A. Boroson have peered very closely at the "fuzz" surrounding the quasar 3C 48 (its catalogue designation) and found the telltale radiation of not one, but millions upon millions of stars — a galaxy.

Oke and Boroson were aided considerably by a computer that subtracted the light of both the quasar itself and the luminosity of the night sky from the image recorded by the Palomar telescope, leaving only the faint light of the quasar's surrounding "fuzz."

When the two Caltech astronomers then did a spectrographic analysis of that fuzzy light, they found that certain wavelengths were missing. These missing wavelengths, called "absorption lines," were those of hydrogen, calcium and magnesium — all elements found in stars.

"What these lines mean," Oke said in an interview from Palomar where he is making a new series of observations, "is that there's a lot of gas surrounding (the quasar 3C 48) and something has caused that gas to condense into stars."

Although they cannot make out the exact shape of the galaxy that envelops the quasar, which is 5 billion light-years away (a light-year is approximately 6 trillion miles), the pattern of the starlight is very similar to that which astronomers have seen in pinwheel-like spiral galaxies.

This came as something of a surprise, Oke said, because most astronomers have been

inclined to think that quasars would be associated with cigar-shaped elliptical galaxies.

"Our prejudice for ellipticals," Oke said, "is based on the fact that the radio noise from quasars is similar to that which we have seen coming from elliptical galaxies. So we have tended to think that when we could make out the underlying galaxy (of a quasar), it would be an elliptical."

Oke and Boroson were also surprised by the additional suggestion that the stars in the galaxy surrounding quasar 3C 48 are of the hot, young variety, and not of the hypothesized cool, older stars.

If this finding is corroborated, Oke said, it implies that shock waves coming from the quasar are still triggering bursts of star formation today.

This finding of an underlying galaxy for 3C 48 does not answer the question of exactly what a quasar is. The model most widely accepted by astronomers is that a quasar is a massive black hole lying at the center of a galaxy, one that is inexorably sucking in a stream of gas and dust.

As that matter swirls inward, it becomes so roiled by the black hole's immensely power-

ful gravitational fields that it emits a wide range of radiation. "It's model," Oke said of this construct for a quasar, "that is capable of generating the energies we see in quasars and the radiation we see. It's a model that makes sense."

Instead of a photographic plate, the Caltech astronomers used an array of very sensitive electronic sensors called "charge-coupled devices" to capture the faint light of quasar 3C 48's galaxy. These devices generate electrical signals that a computer can handle more efficiently than an ordinary photographic emulsion.

Studies probe genetic defect

By Ken Davidson

SAN DIEGO, (LAT) — A genetic defect that triggers Lesch-Nyhan Syndrome, a severe type of mental retardation, may be better understood by University of California at San Diego researchers.

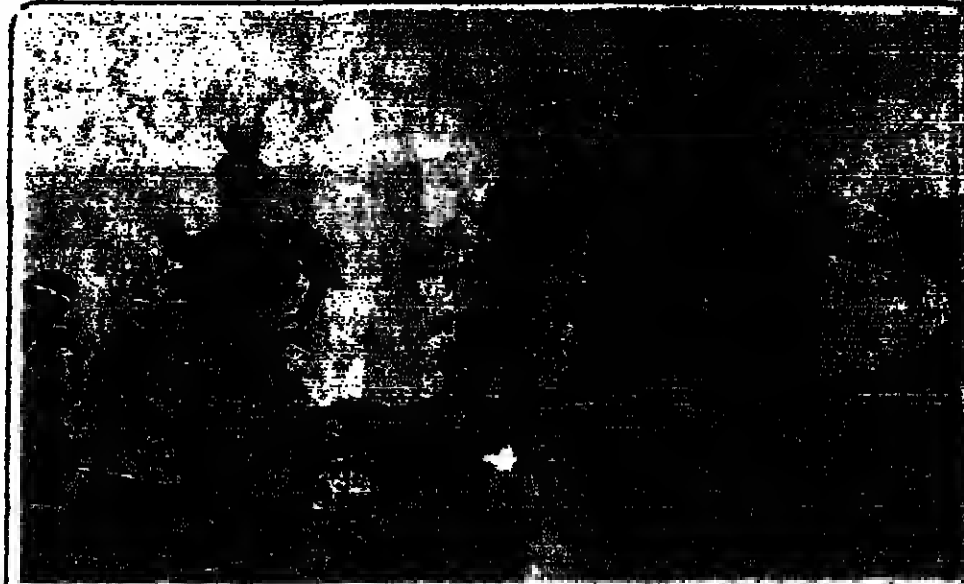
Three University of California researchers in collaboration with two Stanford University scientists, have spent 2 1/2 years working on this defect. Since the late 1970s, scientists around the world have cracked the genetic codes of only a handful of the thousands of human genes that tell cells how to manufacture biochemicals and proteins like insulin, interferon, human growth hormone and somatostatin. Those codes are then used to mass-produce copies of the genes to explore their functions and, in some cases, their potential use as therapies.

Project leader Dr. Theodore Friedmann confirmed the discovery of the human gene that, when damaged, leads to Lesch-Nyhan Syndrome. The syndrome strikes about one in 100,000 births. Its victims become mentally retarded and physically frail and often mutilate themselves.

Friedmann's associates at the University of California campus here included Dr. Douglas Jolly and a technician, Abby Esty. Assistance was provided by two Stanford scientists, 1980 Nobel laureate (in chemistry) Dr. Paul Berg and Dr. Hiroto Okayama.

The achievement is "a wonderful thing," according to Dr. William Nyhan, a University of California at San Diego pediatrician who co-discovered the disease in the early 1960s but was not part of the project.

"I've known about Ted's (Friedmann's) work from the beginning, and I think he should be very proud and satisfied in this success in research," Nyhan said. "All of us take considerable pride in the fact it was done here."



INDIAN POW-WOW: A group of young men from the Navajo tribe are shown here during a recent inter-tribal ceremonial near Gallup, New Mexico. Traditions still run high among the American Indians and nothing pleases them more than to congregate in ceremonial war dance.

France beefs up broadcasts, could soon rival the BBC

By Paul Webster

PARIS (LOS) — Radio France International, the station that sells France to the rest of the world, is to be vigorously expanded after years of neglect. Ministerial approval has been given to a five-fold budget increase by 1985 to bring it in line with the British Broadcasting Corporation's external services. Broadcasting output will rise from 125 hours a week to 739 hours — 20 more than the BBC's, while nine times more staff than at present will be taken on.

Hard news and news feature programs will be given priority for the first time, and additional facilities are being developed to broadcast to Latin America, South-East Asia and the Middle East. English-language programs to Africa will be stepped up in an attempt to break the BBC's near monopoly in Britain's former colonies.

The plan has been drawn up by the new head of the RFI, Herve Bourges. His personal record is an important factor in the French Socialist government's determination that the French point of view will be put across in the Third World.

Until his appointment at RFI, he was press spokesman for the director general of UNESCO, and one of the most ardent supporters of UNESCO's controversial code for reporting from the Third World.

A former editor of a weekly in France, Bourges was also adviser to the Algerian presidency and founder of the Yaounde School of Journalism in the Cameroons.

When he arrived at the Maison de la Radio in Paris he discovered what he described as a "horrifying situation." The external services had become a dumping ground for journalists from the state broadcasting system who were considered unacceptable elsewhere by the

previous rightwing government because of their political views, trade union activity or laziness.

A steady decline in the number of broadcasting hours had reduced RFI to 28th position in the world's external radio service league, trailing behind Egypt and Albania.

The worst discovery was that the station was self-censored, considering itself a section of the foreign ministry, which pays half its current budget of about \$15 million. It depended heavily on pop music and quiz games and broadcast in only five languages.

A new policy of what Bourges describes as "vigorous news" was first tested by frank reporting of African crises, including the arrest of politicians in Gabon, France's main source of uranium. Protests from Gabon were overruled. For the first time in memory, an African country friendly to France had not been able to impose its views on RFI.

Journalists believe that had reporting from RFI been responsible for the worsening of African crises in the past, notably in Chad. Bourges says that RFI had to bend to the will of French ministries, who treated its journalists "like civil servants."

The Socialist government feels that if RFI gains a reputation for honest reporting, its new stature could serve France's Third World policy, which is aimed particularly at Africa and South America.

So the number of journalists and production staff will be increased from 174 to 1,500 over the next five years while the number of freelancers will be increased from 150 to 500.

Services to Africa and Eastern Europe have been merged to end old rivalries and will eventually function 24 hours a day with emphasis on news programs.

SPECIAL DIET NOT HELPFUL FOR LEG ARTERIES



STOP KILLING YOURSELF

By Peter J.

Steinrohn

M.D., F.A.C.P.

Dear Dr. Steinrohn: I am 56. My problem is poor circulation in my legs. My doctor tells me the trouble is arteriosclerosis.

When I walk I either have to slow up to a crawl or actually stop when the pain in my leg comes on. So far I've tried all kinds of exercises. They don't help. Neither does a diet I went on for about two months.

It was not prescribed by my doctor. I read about it in a magazine. It's supposed to be effective in helping arteries all over the body.

I take a high-fiber diet which is especially low in fats. I've lost some weight on it, but don't feel better generally.

My doctor says if I don't improve I may need an operation on my legs to increase the circulation. Would you suggest that I continue on this special diet longer? I don't relish facing surgery. — Mr. F.

Dear Mr. F.: In spite of what you read on dieting, too many promises for every new diet have done much to confuse people. Although normal weight is helpful to most persons, loss of weight in itself is not the answer to improvement in leg circulation.

Whether or not you will eventually require surgery, as your doctor suggests, will depend upon just how much blockage there is in your leg arteries. But don't depend on your diet.

Some recent studies in Canada indicate that a restricted high fiber, low fat diet may lead to deficient calcium and iron; and many produce reduced resistance to infection and impair wound healing. Better confess your dietary experiment to your doctor, Mr. F.

MEDICALETTERS

(Replies to and from readers)

From Mr. B.: You can thank the observations of a Canadian veterinarian about 60 years ago for the discovery of the coumarin drug action in the treatment of your blood clots.

Dr. Frank Schofield traced the cause of mysterious internal bleeding in sheep. It was due to spoiled sweet-clover they were feeding on. The responsible agent in this was an anticoagulating substance called bishydroxycoumarin.

It's now available in synthetic form for treatment and prevention of disorders in humans in which there is excessive clotting.

For Mrs. O.: The reason for withholding food and fluids before operation is to lessen regurgitation and aspiration of the stomach's contents into the lungs. This is one way to prevent pneumonia as a complication following anesthesia.

For Mrs. K.: Your doctor isn't being a scaremonger in suggesting that your daughter who has mononucleosis should rest in bed for at least a week. Serious cases need even more rest.

Kissing disease, as this is sometimes called, is often overlooked. Be thankful your doctor has made the diagnosis which is often missed as being just a severe sore throat that requires only aspirin — and no need for rest. The liver bears the brunt of the attack.

Although most patients recover, at least from 30 to 35 people die from it each year in the United States. According to Dr. David T. Purtilo, professor of pathology at the University of Massachusetts Medical Center, Worcester, the problem is due to misdiagnosis and lack of understanding that mononucleosis is a potentially serious disease.

Tomorrow: Take it easy after a flu attack

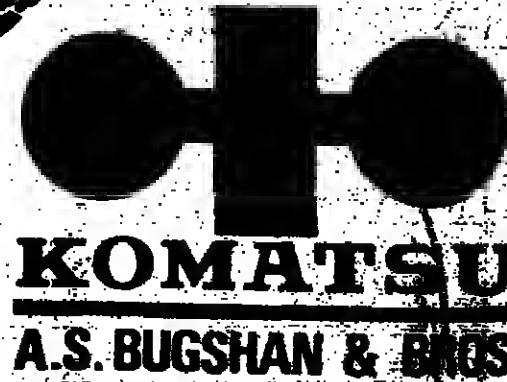
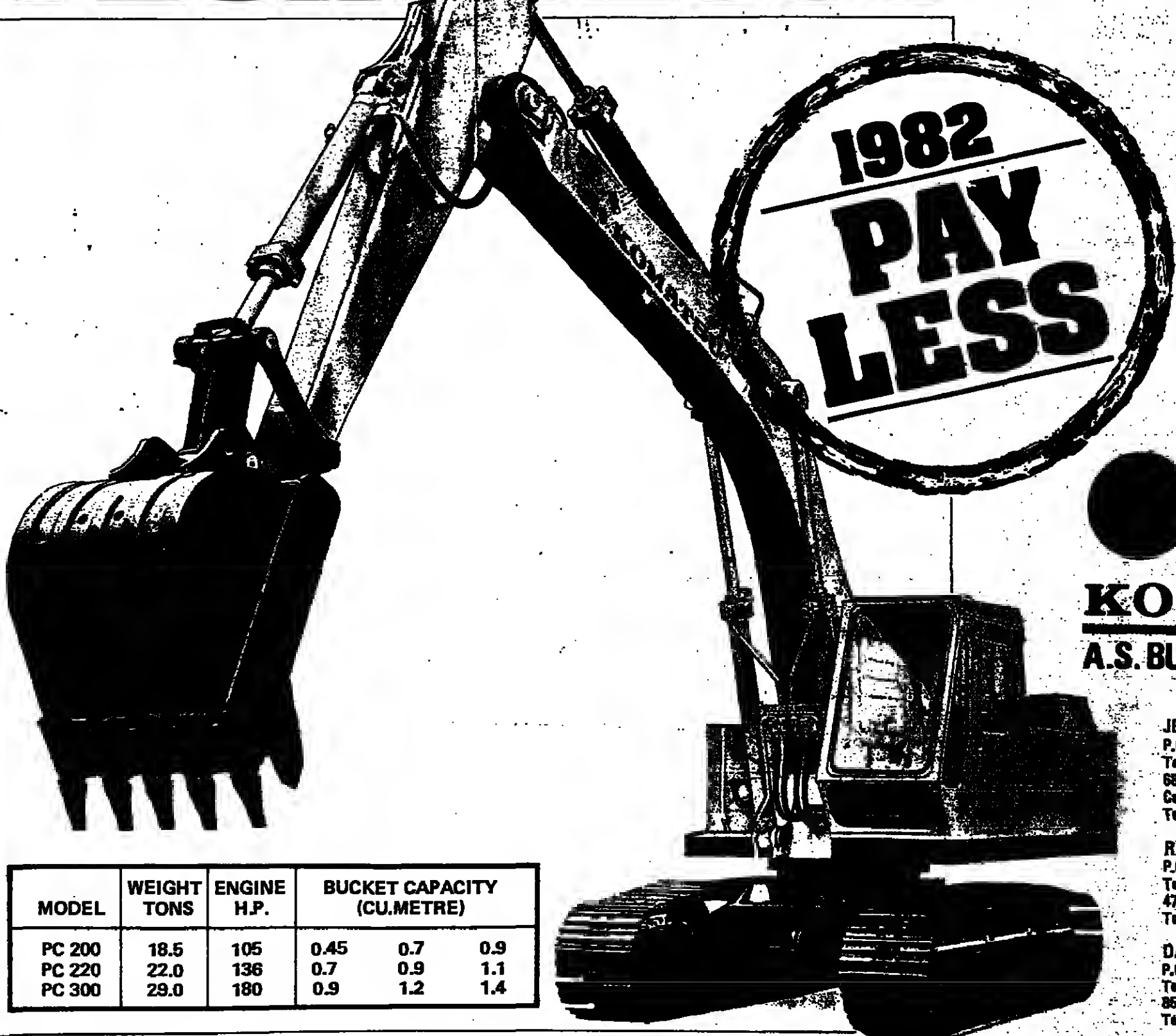
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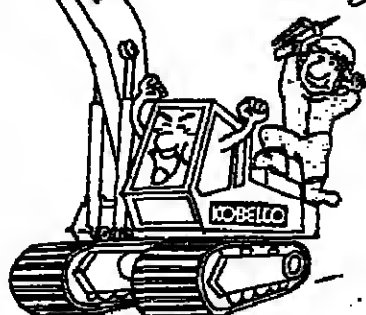
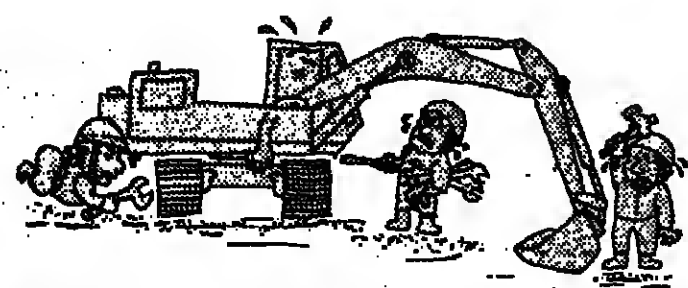


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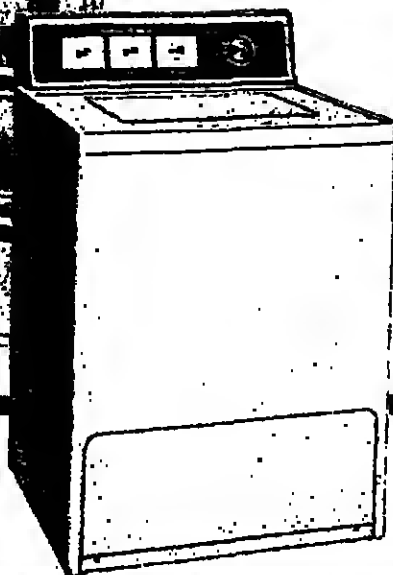
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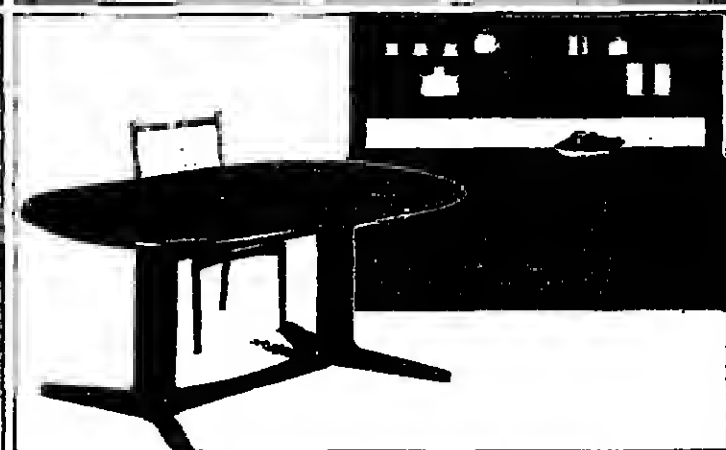
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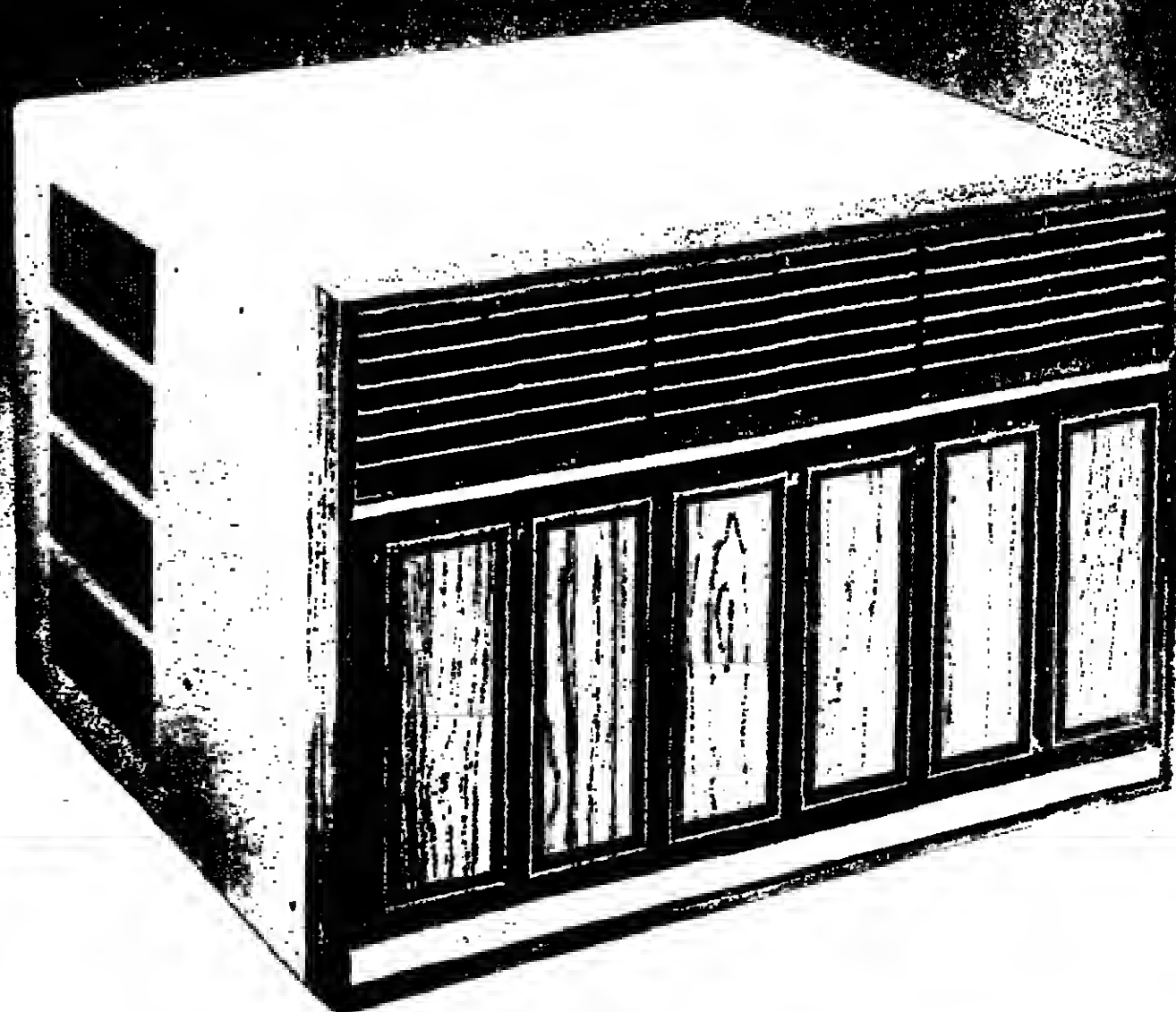
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Moscow favors October summit

MOSCOW, April 26 (AP) — The Soviet Union is determined to bring about an October summit meeting between President Leonid Brezhnev and U.S. President Ronald Reagan, diplomatic observers said here.

A *Pravda* editorial reiterated Brezhnev's summit proposal of one week ago, and expressed regret that Washington — "obsessed by the rattling of arms and by anti-Communist rhetoric" — had rejected the suggestion.

The U.S.-Soviet summit, which could take place in October in Helsinki or Geneva, according to *Pravda*, would be the first such meeting since Brezhnev's 1979 talks in Vienna with then-President Jimmy Carter. *Pravda* made no reference to Reagan's suggestion for preliminary talks in New York in June during the United Nations session on disarmament. The Kremlin has said it considers such a meeting premature and too informal.

Washington has been wondering of late about Brezhnev's health, during the Soviet leader's several weeks absence from public view. But Soviet officials have insisted that he was simply taking his usual winter vacation. Brezhnev reappeared on April 22, in seemingly good physical condition. Observers say there is no reason to think that he would be unable to take part in an autumn summit.

Japanese prince suffers fatigue

TOKYO, April 26 (AP) — Japanese Emperor Hirohito's nephew Prince Tomohito, who on Saturday asked to leave the imperial family, was admitted to a hospital here Monday suffering "extreme fatigue and depression," a royal family spokesman said.

Tomohito 36, called the "Bearded Prince" by the Japanese public, has been bedridden since April 9 when he returned from a skiing competition in Finland, informed sources said. He was not seen at the official dinner offered by the emperor in honor of the visiting French President Francois Mitterrand and his wife on April 15.

The prince's wife, Princess Nobuko, upset by her husband's decision to leave the imperial household and the bounding of the press, was taken to hospital Saturday.

An imperial household spokesman said the prince's request to leave the imperial family was likely linked to his state of health and would be examined only after his recovery.

American firm in Athens bombed

ATHENS, April 26 (AP) — Two homemade explosive devices went off in central Athens Monday, damaging the offices of the American IBM company but causing no casualties, police said. They said the bombs were placed outside two separate buildings housing the main offices of the World Trade Corporation.

The bombs exploded five minutes apart, shattering the windows of the building, police said. No group immediately claimed responsibility for the explosion, police said.

Earlier this month, a bomb exploded outside the U.S. ambassador's residence, damaging its garden wall. A left-wing group calling itself Revolutionary Popular Struggle claimed responsibility for that blast.

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Used for eavesdropping

KGB 'post' in U.S. filmed

WASHINGTON, April 26 (AP) — A Soviet-owned estate in Glen Cove, New York, serves not just as a recreational facility for Soviet personnel assigned to the United Nations but also as an electronic eavesdropping post, according to a television documentary on the KGB.

The 13-part, Canadian-produced series was scheduled to have its U.S. premiere Monday evening on "Independent Network News," a program carried by more than 70 U.S. television stations unaffiliated with the three major networks.

The documentary focuses on North American operations of the KGB, the massive Soviet espionage and secret police apparatus which combines both foreign intelligence and internal security functions.

Since the mid-1970s, there have been press reports about Soviet microwave interception of U.S. telephone conversations and other communications by use of advanced electronic equipment at the Soviet Embassy in Washington and the Soviet consulate in San Francisco.

Similar electronic intercept operations, the television documentary reports, are also being conducted at Soviet diplomatic support facilities including a New York city apartment building and the Soviet-owned estate in Glen Cove, New York.

In an interview on the program, Arkady

Shevchenko — who was the highest-ranking Soviet official at the U.N. when defected to the United States in April 1978, vividly described the Glen Cove site.

"All the top floors of the building are full of sophisticated equipment...to intercept all conversations, telephone conversations on anything which is going on... At least 15 or 17 technicians were working...to do all this job."

Richard Kinsey, former deputy chief on the FBI's Soviet counterintelligence division, said in another interview that targets of the Glen Cove eavesdropping operation apparently included a Grumman Aerospace Corp. Aircraft plant on Long Island.

The Soviet estate, he said, "is sort of midway between the main plant and a testing facility that Grumman has further out on the island, and those antennae are pointed toward both facilities."

The program also indicates that electronic intercept equipment also has been installed by the Soviets at their apartment building in the Riverdale section of Bronx, New York, located on one of the highest elevations in New York city.

Other aspects of KGB operations covered by the documentary include recruitment of American agents, covert acquisition of sensitive high-technology items and "disinformation" activities intended to plant Soviet-fabricated material in the Western press.

Leprosy said increasing

LONDON, April 26 (AP) — Leprosy is increasing in Western countries as well as in the Third World, says Dr. Richard Dawood, a Briton who studied the disease in the United States. There are between 25,000 and 30,000 cases in Europe, at least 400 in Britain and more than 3,000 in the United States, the doctor stated in the latest issue of the *Monthly Index of Medical Specialties*, known as MIMS.

Three-quarters of the 200 new cases a year in the United States are foreign born, but there are still local disease areas in Texas, California, Hawaii, Florida and Louisiana, he wrote.

Dawood said most lepers in Britain are immigrants, 70 percent being Asians and the 20 to 30 new cases a year in this country fluctuate with the pattern of immigration. There is no record of the disease passing from one person to another in Britain.

Nuclear test triggered

WASHINGTON, April 26 (AP) — A joint American-British nuclear test explosion was triggered underground Sunday in the Nevada desert, the U.S. Energy Department announced. It said the test was undertaken upon a British request.

In its first week

Canadians test charter

OTTAWA, April 26 (AP) — In its first week of life, Canada's charter of rights and freedoms — cornerstone of its new constitution — has been invoked in several cases.

True to the predictions of lawyers and constitutional experts, the infant charter was hauled into action as soon as courts opened last Monday, just two days after Queen Elizabeth II proclaimed the constitution here.

The flurry of first-week action fore-shadows years of legal maneuvering as cases filter up from lower courts to the Supreme Court of Canada, where the country's top judges will have to decide exactly what the charter means for Canadians.

Supreme Court Justice Willard Estey predicted that it will take about a decade to pin down the implications. The Supreme Court will soon reach "a new plateau of activity," he told a luncheon in London, Ontario, where two of the first cases based on the charter surfaced.

One defense lawyer in London successfully used the guarantee of "a fair and public hearing" to win an adjournment until his client, charged with impaired driving, had undergone a neurological examination. But Roger Tasog, deputy federal justice minister, said the lawyer likely would have been granted his request even without the charter.

In the second case, a lawyer argued that police had exceeded their powers by search-

ing the premises of an 18-year-old break-in suspect without a warrant. The judge rejected the argument — which was based on constitutional protections against "unreasonable search and seizure" — because the charter was not in effect when the search was conducted.

The question of retroactivity is one of the key issues to be decided in the coming months. The federal government argues the charter applies only as of one second after midnight April 17, the day the queen signed the proclamation.

Most of the early cases have dealt with fundamental freedoms, such as freedom of speech, or legal rights in dealing with the police and courts.

In Ottawa, the Canadian Union of Public Employees announced plans to challenge a New Brunswick law forcing 3,000 striking school employees back to work. The law prohibits picketing, parading or demonstrating at or near government offices and gives the government power to request de-certification of the workers' union. Lawyers for the union say that violates the freedoms of association and peaceful assembly.

The Canadian Civil Liberties Association is using the charter's guarantee of freedom of expression in defense of Neil Fraser, a federal civil servant fired for speaking out against the government-ordered conversion to the metric system.

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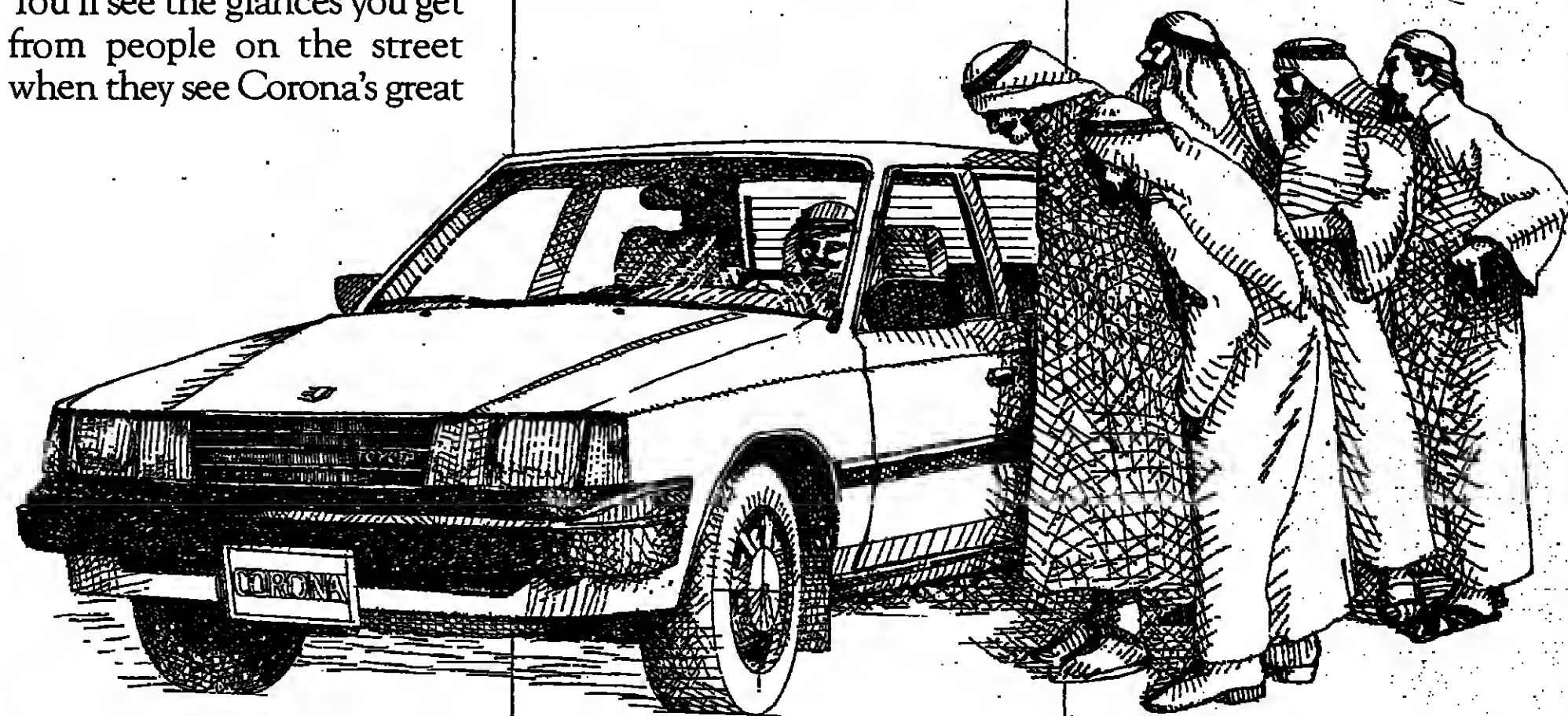
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U.N. panel suggests Korean truce talks

SEOUL, April 26 (Agencies) — The U.N. Command in Korea Monday proposed a meeting of the joint Korean Military Armistice Commission (MAC) to be held May 4 at the truce village of Panmunjom, a command spokesman said.

The proposal was made by U.S. Rear Adm. James G. Storms, senior U.N.C. delegate of the armistice commission, in his message to his North Korean counterpart, Maj. Gen. Han Juhkyung, the spokesman said. It was the American-led command's counterproposal to an earlier North Korean request that a meeting of the commission be held Monday.

North Korea did not give any reason for calling the meeting. It came two days after the command charged North Korea for initiating a four-hour firefight between the two opposing sides across the demilitarized zone last Wednesday.

South Korea said North Koreans began the shooting to halt four North Korean soldiers from defecting to the South of the eastern front, 80 kms north of Chunchon, east of Seoul.

North Korea, in a radio broadcast said it suffered "some casualties" from the shooting. South Korea said there were no casualties among its personnel, but the North Korean shooting caused minor damage to a barbed-wire fence near a South Korean guard post in the southern portion of the truce zone.

U.S. Vice President George Bush, currently on a three-day visit to South Korea, said Monday in a speech before the South Korean National Assembly that North Koreans killed the four as they were on "their way to freer soil." There was no immediate North Korean response to the new U.N. Command proposal.

Meanwhile, North Korean President Kim Il-Sung, has called for a strengthening of his country's army. The North Korean Central News Agency monitored in Tokyo Sunday, quoted him as telling a banquet Sunday: "The developments in South Korea today show that the moves of the U.S. imperialists and their stooges toward a new war against us have reached a critical stage and brought the situation to the brink of war."

BRIEFS

TOKYO (AFP) — Downtown Tokyo was covered by a thin layer of ash Monday not long after the Mount Asama volcano, 200 kms north of the capital, erupted for the first time in nine years.

JAKARTA (AFP) — The biggest eruption recorded at the Mount Galunggung volcano in West Java in 23 years spewed sand, stones and smoke hundreds of feet into the air Sunday, Antara news agency reported. A dark cloud was clearly visible from the nearby town of Tasikma Laya, some 33 kms east of the volcano.

ROME (AP) — Some 800 relatives of prisoners and alleged terrorists being held on subversion charges occupied the offices of Rome's foreign Press Association Sunday. The families said they staged the sit-in to dramatize conditions in prisons where their relatives are being held.

COPENHAGEN (AFP) — Forty Vietnamese "boat people" who had run out of food and water were picked up Sunday in the South China Sea by a Danish container ship, the ship's owners disclosed Monday.

Swiss women denied vote

APPENZEL, Switzerland, April 26 (AP) — The all-male electorate of Switzerland's least populous canton (state) decided overwhelmingly Sunday to continue denying women the vote in town and cantonal elections.

A show of hands was taken at the colorful, outdoor "Landsgemeinde," the annual popular assembly that acts on the canton's important issues. It is open to all of the 5,000 male, adult citizens of Appenzel — Innerroden canton — provided each carries a sword or bayonet.

Spectators, including local women and hundreds of foreign tourists, reacted with boos and laughter on Landsgemeinde Square here as the show of hands indicated

the men by a 4-1 margin favored continuing the policy.

In a brief debate before the vote, a young man in the assembly said that the right to vote was not necessary for Appenzel women since they fully trusted men to take care of their interests.

The rejection came 18 months after a narrowly passed amendment to the federal constitution specified that both men and women are strictly equal before the law.

The predominantly Roman Catholic canton, which has a population of about 13,000, thus remained the last male bastion in the Swiss confederation to deny its women the vote in cantonal and communal ballots.

Palme commission finalizing report

STOCKHOLM, April 26 (AFP) — The Palme Commission on Security and Disarmament has agreed on the final points of a report it will present in June to the United Nations' special assembly on disarmament, it was announced here Sunday night.

The commission — named after its president, Sweden's former Premier Olof Palme — has met 12 times within the past 18 months. The report should be completed by

the end of May and made public at that time, Palme said.

According to Dutch Social Affairs Minister Joop Den Uyl, only the chapter on chemical warfare will be discussed anew, because of recent changes in the U.S. and Soviet chemical weapons arsenals.

The final report will contain proposals for a slowing of the arms race, and will emphasize nuclear-free zones, Den Uyl said.

Four Namibians killed

WINDHOEK, April 26 (AP) — Defense forces tracked and killed four black nationalists in weekend attacks inside a white farming area in Namibia (Southwest Africa), officials said Monday.

A white farmer was hospitalized with gunshot wounds and another white farming homestead was assaulted by forces of the Southwest Africa People's Organization (SWAPO), the territory defense force said in a statement.

The SWAPO men, who have waged a 16-year campaign to end South African control over the territory, made one of their deepest-ever penetrations into the Tsumeb farming district in northeastern Namibia in early April. Home guard and South African

troops have killed 37 of the black nationalists since SWAPO launched the annual autumn offensive, protected by thick bush cover caused by seasonal rains. Eight defense force soldiers and six civilians have died in clashes with the SWAPO forces.

Three SWAPO members were killed Sunday while apparently trying to escape back to their base across the border in Angola, the territory force said. A fourth was killed as defense force troops tracked a band which had attacked a white homestead with rifle grenades and small arms.

While the low-level bush war continues, both sides are trying to reach a negotiated settlement through talks organized by five Western nations.

Peking plans to trim vice premiers

PEKING, April 26 (AFP) — Communist Chinese Premier Zhao Ziyang Monday presented plans for a major cabinet reorganization that would sharply reduce the number of vice premiers, the New China News Agency (NCNA) said.

NCNA said the plans, presented to the standing committee of the National People's Congress, the Chinese parliament, also involved changes in the heads of 23 ministries and commissions. It did not provide any

details.

The agency said only that the reshuffle would complete the government reorganization announced by Zhao at the beginning of the year. Chinese leaders took the first step with a reshuffle involving seven ministries last month.

Zhao indicated at that time that the number of vice premiers would be cut from 13 to two, but NCNA did not repeat the figure.

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West imposing curbs draws Polish fire

WARSAW, April 26 (AP) — Poland's Communist ruler Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski has warned the West against erecting an economic "iron curtain" around Poland in the wake of last December's start of martial law.

Jaruzelski, in a speech to the party's policy-forming central committee released here Sunday said "an iron curtain — but not one of our making — is being built up again" in an apparent reference to U.S. economic aid sanctions.

"If the capitalist countries and their financial and economic factors want us to pay back our debts, to fulfill our commitments, they should not — in their own interest — block our import possibilities for much longer because the result could be limiting our growth of production and export," Jaruzelski said in the speech delivered Friday.

The speech capped a series of comment by Polish officials who have sought to remind the West that boycotting Poland's economy could be to their own disadvantage.

Although Poland has stressed repeatedly its reliance on the Soviet bloc's common market, Comecon, Polish officials apparently are still interested in maintaining economic contacts with their Western partners.

Some officials have said that the only way to repay Poland's estimated \$26 billion debt to Western creditors is to borrow more money for the time being to provide badly needed raw materials and components to keep Polish factories operative.

Jaruzelski spoke at the conclusion of last week's two-day central committee meeting, the second since he declared martial law last Dec. 13. The plenum was devoted to economic problems. His speech was not published in state-run press Saturday, and

New car engine piston developed

LONDON, April 26 (AFP) — A new car engine piston giving five percent greater power while reducing fuel consumption four percent was announced here by Associated Engineering.

Improved efficiency stems from cutting the contact surface by 75 percent or so, leading to a 14 percent reduction in friction losses. The company noted that about 30 percent of losses in engines due to friction came from the pistons. This was true of both diesel and gasoline engines.

The company, a leading British vehicle component maker, is marketing the new piston under the name "Aeconoguide".

appeared on the Polish news agency PAP wires for the first time Sunday. Brief excerpts were reported by Polish radio and television Friday night.

Jaruzelski stressed Poland's self-reliance, saying: "The times we are living in are extremely difficult, but if one measures them with historical perspective, they are only an episode which shall pass, which we will overcome."

"We should see the main reserves at our home, in our strength," he said. "Those reserves are enormous. We should start using them ourselves, from the leadership of the party and state, from the top."

The phrase "iron curtain" was first used by British leader Winston Churchill after World War II to refer to the rigid East-West division of Europe for which he blamed the Soviet leader Josef Stalin.

Polish officials and Western diplomats here have said the only real chance Poland has of putting its ravaged economy on a super footing will be to start by borrowing even more hard currency to boost export-oriented industry.

Crisis-hit Angola throws ideology overboard

LUANDA, April 26 (R) — Angola is pitting economic survival ahead of ideology as it struggles to overcome a drop in earnings from oil, its main export.

Hardships caused by a slump in revenue last year are so great that the government is adopting a new approach to development with decisions that would not have been politically acceptable in the past.

Immediately after its independence from Portugal in 1975, Angola aligned itself with the Soviet bloc and shunned credit, believing debt would inevitably bring political dependence.

Once determined to pay cash against delivery, the south-west African nation is now seeking long-term credits.

Lower oil prices sparked the change in attitude in Angola where all economic projections were based on higher returns, with prices as high as \$36 a barrel in 1980. With the world price for crude now as low as \$27 a barrel, the country faces a substantial budget deficit and a foreign exchange crisis.

The financial committee of the Angolan People's Assembly (parliament) has been summoned to seek ways of reducing the budget deficit and Finance Minister Ismael Martins, asked by Reuters whether Luanda might try to raise a foreign loan, said: "this cannot be excluded."

U.K. jobless seen rising to 4.5m by 1990

LONDON, April 26 (AP) — Unemployment in Britain, already Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's biggest economic worry, will rise from around 3 million to 4.5 million, or nearly one worker in five, by 1990, Cambridge University economists forecast Monday.

In its annual review of the British economy, the department of applied economics at Cambridge urged Mrs. Thatcher's Conservative government to abandon its cautious financial strategy and reflate the economy by 7-8 billion pounds (\$12-14 billion) a year for the next three or four years.

The economists also recommended a devaluation of the pound sterling and controls on imports, wages and foreign exchange transactions. "The country remains in a deep and prolonged slump... there is no serious prospect of economic recovery in the short or longer term unless policies change," the report said.

It warned of potential strife between haves and have-nots as unemployment worsens from its current 2.992 million, or 12.5 percent of the work force.

Asian states make headway

Growth set at 4.4%

MANILA, April 26 (Deephnews) — As the world slowly picks itself up from the economic slump of previous years, Asian-Pacific nations, it appears, may look forward to an impressive growth rate in 1982.

A highly optimistic report on Asian economic trends prepared by the economic research department of Chemical Bank in the U.S. predicts that the region "will again be among the fastest-growing areas in the world" this year. Its projected gross national product (GNP) growth rate of about 4.4 percent represents a modest improvement from last year's 4 percent.

The report even forecasts that growth in developing Asia will surpass that of all other regions including the three developed countries in the area itself. Estimated growth rate for developing Asia in 1982 is 5.7 percent, higher than last year's 4.9 percent.

Covered by the report are Japan, Australia and New Zealand, the three countries in the region identified as developed; and Communist China, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, the Philippines, Singapore, South Korea, Sri Lanka, Taiwan and Thailand, which compose developing Asia.

The report's optimistic tone is almost consistent for all nations covered predicting

moderate or, at the very least, stable growth rates. Only Papua New Guinea is expected to experience a drop in real growth due to falling export earnings. The country which had a growth fall of 2 percent last year is predicted to register a decline of 2.5 percent in real growth in 1982.

The slowdown in Indonesia's growth rate is expected to continue this year with the level dropping from last year's 8.5 percent to 7.5 percent in 1982. This further deceleration of the country's real growth is supposed to be brought about by sluggish oil exports.

In making its prediction, the report is pinning its optimism, however, on modest upturns in economic growth of the U.S. and Europe, whose developments are still strongly linked to those of the Asian region.

Two other major factors, which the report expects to influence the region's economic outlook, are prospects for world oil and commodity prices.

"Improvement in these areas should help Asia's growth, inflation and external accounts," the report says.

U.S. corporate sector in doldrums

WASHINGTON, April 26 (R) — Many experts believe that U.S. corporate balance sheets are in their worst shape since the 1930's and there is a good chance a handful of major companies could go bankrupt in the next several months.

Just this weekend, Wickes Corp., a retailer and manufacturer with \$4 billion in sales, filed for protection from creditors in federal bankruptcy court in Los Angeles.

Arab fund raises capital to \$2.8b

KUWAIT, April 26 (WAM) — The board of governors of the Arab Fund for Social and Economic Development Monday decided to double its capital to become 800 million Kuwaiti dinars (\$2.8 billion).

At its 11 session held here Monday, the council also approved a report presented by the board of directors on the financial situation of the fund for 1981 and its previous activities.

It also approved to appoint the fund to undertake the activities of the general secretariat of the first Arab development decade, a \$5 billion aid program designed to help poor Arab countries.

The decade is being financed jointly by the United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Iraq and Qatar, whose finance ministers are expected to meet here later Monday.

Governor of Algeria was elected chairman of board and it was decided to hold the next meeting in Algiers April next year.

Kuwait seen buying Gulf Oil's plants

LONDON, April 26 (AFP) — Kuwait may buy up three-quarters of the refining and distribution facilities operated in Europe by Gulf Oil of the United States, the *Times* newspaper said Monday.

Negotiations on the 1,000 million pound deal had reached a crucial stage, the newspaper said.

Gulf has plants in Britain, Switzerland, Italy, the Netherlands and Denmark. It seeks to trim activities in Europe where refining is no longer profitable due to reduced oil consumption and excess refining capacity of around 40 percent.

In recent years Gulf has pulled out of France, Spain, Norway, northern Sweden and north east England. Last year its refineries operated at only 46 percent capacity.

The combination of high U.S. interest rates and two recessions in as many years has had a devastating impact on the agriculture, machinery, housing, car and steel industries in particular.

Wickes is the largest company in the current recession to seek protection under a chapter 11 bankruptcy petition, gaining time to reorganize operations while owing \$2 billion to creditors.

Chapter 11 allows a company to operate under existing management with court protection from creditors while it works out a plan to repay debt.

Earlier this month, AM International, a data business equipment firm, filed chapter 11. It owes \$465 million to creditors.

This year's surge in bankruptcies, a 55 percent increase over the same period last year, comes on the heels of a dismal 45.2 percent increase in bankruptcies during 1981, according to Dun and Bradstreet, the New York economic research firm.

Recessions traditionally result in a large number of business failures and the back-to-back recessions of 1980 and 1981 have been blamed for much of the current corporate problems.

But what disturbs some economists and government officials about the current situation is the kind of companies that are folding. In the past, very small firms have been the hardest hit. But this year, some medium to large-sized companies are in severe jeopardy.

Dun and Bradstreet figures reveal that during the first 14 weeks of the year, bankruptcies among companies worth more than \$100,000 are up 60 percent over a year ago.

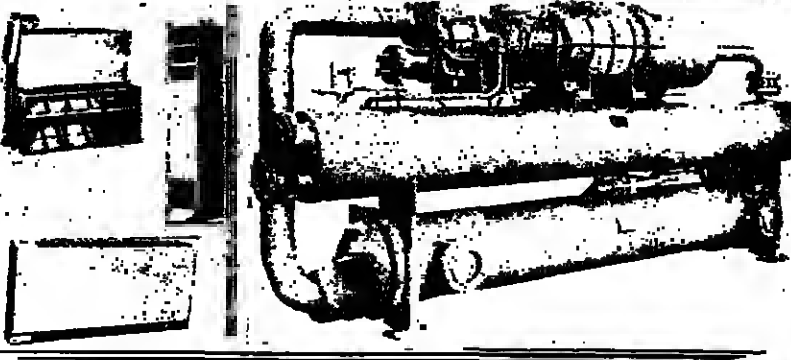
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Kuwait, Tunisia strike deal

Arab N-power plan gets a boost

KUWAIT, April 26 (AP) — Kuwait and phosphate-rich Tunisia have agreed on a \$40 million deal that would net the Arab nuclear energy effort 120 tons of uranium in 1984, it was reported here Monday.

The newspaper *Al-Wakeel* said the project, utilizing phosphoric acid byproducts of phosphate for the uranium-producing process, is part of a major Arab nuclear energy bid that will be carried out with French technical assistance. The name of the French company involved in the project, to be located in Kabis in southeastern Tunisia, was not given.

Bonn oil imports drop by 16.6%

FRANKFURT, April 26 (R) — West German imports of crude oil fell by 16.6 percent to 17.4 million tons in first quarter 1982 from 20.9 million in the same 1981 period, the Federal Office for Trade and Industry, GBAW, said.

Crude oil imports in March, at 5.4 million tons, were at their lowest monthly level since 1967 and compared to 6.8 million in March last year.

The first quarter oil bill totaled 10.8 billion marks at an average price of 617.40 marks per ton, compared with 12.5 billion in the first quarter last year at an average 596.06 marks per ton.

Saudi Arabia maintained its position as largest supplier of crude oil to West Germany, with 5.1 million tons in the first three months this year, unchanged from the corresponding 1981 quarter, and the U.K. remained number two with 3.9 million tons (3.8 million) GBAW said. The third largest supplier was Nigeria, with 1.8 million tons (2.1 million).

But the paper said the Tunisian and Kuwait governments were studying plans for enlisting French expertise in setting up an Arab nuclear research center in Tunisia, which will be dedicated to furthering the use of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes.

An Arab energy conference, held in the Gulf state of Qatar two months ago, urged the Arab states to develop their own sources of nuclear fuel as a means of ensuring future needs of nuclear power.

The Arabs have expressed determination to pursue a peaceful nuclear program despite Israel's bombing of Iraq's French-built nuclear reactor last June.

U.S. prime rate fall predicted

HONG KONG, April 26 (R) — The high U.S. interest rates are unsustainable and unacceptable, Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Treasury R. Timothy McNamar said.

Speaking to an American chamber of commerce lunch here, he said the main factors supporting rates now are the impasse over the U.S. budget between President Reagan and Congress and recent erratic U.S. money supply figures. But in the near term (60 to 90 days) prime should drop several points, he said.

McNamar said his reasons for predicting a

Ivory Coast's farm outlook bright

ABIDJAN, April 26 (AFP) — Agricultural production in Ivory Coast should reach a satisfactory level in 1982 in spite of difficult conditions in international markets, the National Chamber of Commerce predicted in its monthly bulletin published here.

Agriculture remains "the strongest pillar" of the country's development, the bulletin said. First estimates say the cocoa crop will

rise from 405,000 metric tons last year to 420,000 this year, but coffee will fall from 365,000 tons in the previous season to 300,000. Both harvests are expected to be later than usual.

The chamber of commerce said the fall in coffee output would have little effect, as there were ample stocks in reserve from the last harvest.

Production of cotton will reach 132,000 tons, compared with the original target of 136,000. But exports of tropical woods are expected to be boosted by the rise in the value of the dollar, which penalizes some of Ivory Coast's competitors, notably the Philippines.

The banana and pineapple crop is expected to remain steady. Exports of bananas last season showed an 11.6 percent fall to 105,487 tons, while pineapple shipments were similar to the previous season at 88,064 tons.

Tinned pineapple production is now recovering from the slump in the international market which has lasted since 1978. Results in 1981 are expected to be more encouraging.

Palm oil production, at around 164,000 tons, is expected to be far better than last year's 133,144 tons, as a result of more favorable rainfall.

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Iraq pipeline to Turkey reopens

ANKARA, April 26 (R) — Iraq's only working oil pipeline to the Mediterranean was reopened Monday after being closed Sunday because of a leak, the Turkish energy ministry said.

The pipeline runs from Kirkuk in Iraq carrying around 27,000 tons of crude per year (540,000 barrels per day). The ministry said it did not know what had caused the leak. Iraq has relied on the link through Turkey to the Mediterranean since Syria recently closed the pipeline from Iraq to the ports of Baniyas and Tripoli in Lebanon.

In another development, Iraqi Oil Minister Tayeh Abdul Karim has accused Syria of lying when it asserted Iraq was paying only \$20 million a year in pipeline fees to have its oil pumped through Syria.

In an Iraqi news agency dispatch monitored here, Karim said the pipeline agreement called for a minimum annual payment of \$37 million even if pumping stopped. Pumping fees for Syria amounted to \$130 million, he said, even though Syria only allowed Iraq to export an amount of crude oil equal to 70 percent of the pipeline's capacity.

Syria recently shut down the pipeline, which carries Iraqi oil across Syria to the Ports of Baniyas, Syria, and Tripoli, Lebanon. Karim said the shutoff amounted to "effective Syrian participation in the war of aggression against Iraq launched by Imperialism, Zionism and the Iranians."

Financial journal plans new edition

NEW YORK, April 26 (AP) — *The Wall Street Journal* will publish a new international edition in Europe early next year, the newspaper announced Monday.

Norman Pearl, international news editor of the *Journal* and former managing editor of its Asian edition, has been named editor and publisher of the new European edition.

The European edition is expected to be edited and published in Brussels, Belgium, and in Heerlen, the Netherlands, and distributed throughout Europe and parts of the Middle East. It will be in English.

It will have a European-based news staff as well as access to the *Journal's* worldwide news coverage. European readers now receive an edition printed in the United States and flown into Europe. The *Journal's* Asian edition, launched in 1976, began with a circulation of less than 10,000 copies and has grown to more than 25,000.

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Monday The talks are being conducted with companies in Norway, Sweden, Finland and France, it said. Finland appeared to be well-placed as the USSR would not have to pay its foreign currency owing to the special monetary relations between the two countries, the paper said.

BUENOS AIRES, (R) — Argentina Economy Minister Roberto Alemann announced that exchange markets and finance institutions will be working normally Monday despite the British forces raid on South Georgia. Alemann told reporters that rumors about the possibility that the government might decree a holiday for exchange markets were unfounded.

BRUSSELS, (AP) — The European Economic Community granted \$300,000 to Niger Monday to help 3,000 families restart their small businesses that were destroyed when fire swept through the market in the capital of Niamey recently, an EEC spokesman said.

Dollar rates lose ground

By J.H. Hammond

Jeddah, April 26 — The American dollar opened on a weak note on the European exchanges Monday, losing ground to the major continental currencies with the exception of the pound. Sterling fell back sharply to 1.7520 levels when the London markets opened with the British currency reacting to the worsening conflict over the Falkland Islands after the armed confrontation over South Georgia. Some determined Bank of England support helped sterling to stabilize and it later was traded at the Friday closing levels of 1.7690.

The bullion markets had a nervous and busy day Monday with gold prices rising sharply to reach \$364 in London compared with \$351 closing levels in New York on Friday. Silver also rose in sympathy with gold, adding more than 20 cents to trade at \$7.45 levels.

In the local markets, rial deposit levels eased back slightly to shed some of the rises recorded Sunday with the one-month JIBOR deposit rates quoted at 12 1/2-13 1/4 percent compared to 13 1/2-14 1/4 percent Sunday. The longer dated funds remained more stable at 13 1/2-14 1/4 percent for the one-year but week-fixed funds also fell back to 11 1/2-12 1/4 percent levels from 12 1/4-13 1/4 percent Sunday.

In the local exchanges, trading was thin and cautious with spot rial/dollar rates averaging at 3.4303-08 levels and inter-bank dealing restricted to a few transactions. The European exchanges also registered

a nervous trading day with the dollar losing ground on both the exchange and money markets. Eurodollar deposit rates eased by a further 1/4 percent in most tenors with the Europeans reacting to Friday night's fall in the weekly American money supply figures of \$1.9 billion. Rates steadied by the end of the European session but all eyes were fixed on New York and on what the Federal Reserve Board might do next on the interest rate front after last week's Eurodollar deposit falls.

In the exchanges, the German mark made a significant recovery to trade at 2.3703 levels compared with 2.4190 last Monday, while the French franc also made a rapid rise to trade at nearly 6.1810 levels compared with 6.2810 a week ago. The other currencies gains against the dollar were no less dramatic, with the Japanese yen trading comfortably at 237.30 compared with 246.80 levels a week ago, and the Swiss franc at 1.9580 compared to last Monday's 1.9790 levels. Throughout the day there was little central bank support intervention detected with the European banks sitting on the side line and watching the exchanges push down the value of the dollar.

Closing gold prices (in U.S. dollars per troy ounce):
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Freight market tastes mixed fortune

LONDON, April 26 (AFP) — It was a mixed bag on the freight market last week, despite continuing widespread inquiry from Soviet, Communist Chinese, South Korean and South African charterers.

The situation in the South Atlantic was being carefully watched, and there was little new business being quoted out of the River Plate. But brokers reported grain fixtures out of the Argentine to West Germany, Venezuela and Algeria.

Soviet interest re-appeared just in front of the week-end, after a few days' absence, with fixtures reported for both Pacific and Atlantic round voyages. Although details were scanty, it is believed that one vessel, a 27,500 tonner, was booked to replace a Soviet ship for a round voyage via U.S. West Coast, giving redelivery at Nakhodka, for \$4600 a day. A smaller vessel was taken in the Atlantic for a round voyage giving delivery and redelivery at Cape Passero (Sicily) for \$5,000 day.

China took more grain vessels out of the U.S. Gulf on a single voyage basis, paying the

previous week's former rate of \$39.75 a ton for 30,000 tonners. In addition these charterers booked tonnage to lift bulk wheat from British Columbia, the first such fixing for some considerable time.

Noticeably, the Chinese continued to ignore the time-charter section. But the South Africans were busy booking vessels on a time basis and although there were doubts whether some deals had gone through at least one fixture was concluded to Europe.

The South Koreans were reported taking a 35,000 tonner from Chile at \$7,000 day, plus \$300,000 ballast bonus, and a 26,000 tonner from Karachi at \$6,200 day.

Foreign Exchange Rates

Quoted at 6:30 p.m. Monday	SAMA	Cash	Transfer
Bahraini Dinar	9.00	9.11	15.80
Bangladesh Taka	—	—	—
Belgian Franc (1,000)	—	—	282.00
Canadian Dollar	—	—	144.75
Deutsche Mark (100)	144.90	144.75	130.40
Dutch Guilder (100)	130.50	130.40	3.73
Egyptian Pound	3.30	3.30	93.50
Emirati Dirham (100)	93.75	93.50	55.50
French Franc (100)	55.65	55.46	54.46
Great Britain (£1,000)	52.04	52.04	36.59
Indian Rupee (100)	—	—	—
Iranian Rial (100)	—	—	—
Iraqi Dinar	—	—	—
Italian Lira (10,000)	26.40	26.30	14.45
Japanese Yen (1,000)	—	—	9.25
Jordanian Dinar	9.85	9.85	11.75
Kuwaiti Dinar	11.95	11.95	69.25
Lebanese Lira (100)	69.50	69.25	58.10
Moroccan Dirham (100)	53.00	53.00	29.55
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	—	41.40
Philippines Peso (100)	—	—	6.09
Pound Sterling	6.11	6.11	94.30
Qatari Rial (100)	94.50	94.30	162.20
Singapore Dollar (100)	—	—	32.85
Spanish Peseta (1,000)	—	—	175.75
Swiss Franc (100)	175.75	175.50	63.60
Syrian Lira (100)	56.40	56.40	—
Turkish Lira (1,000)	—	—	—
U.S. Dollar	3.439	3.432	—
Yemeni Rial (100)	75.00	75.10	—

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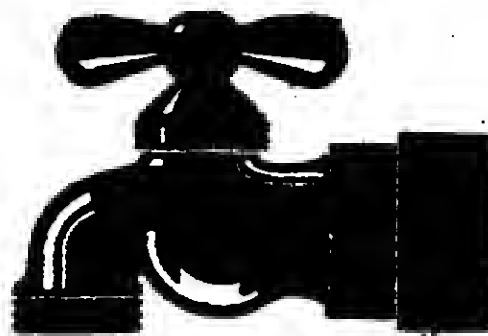
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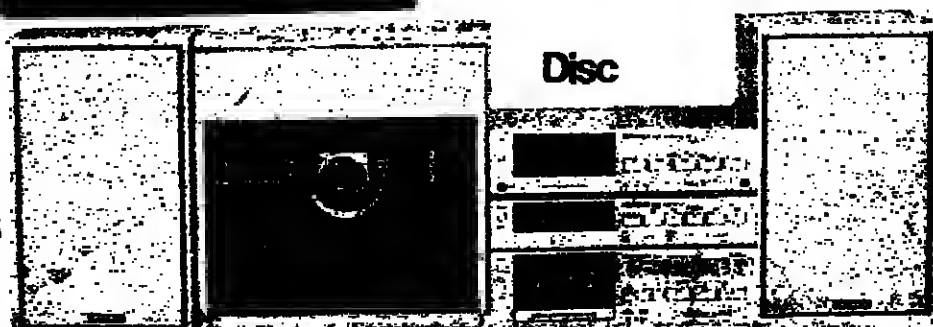


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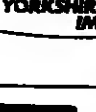




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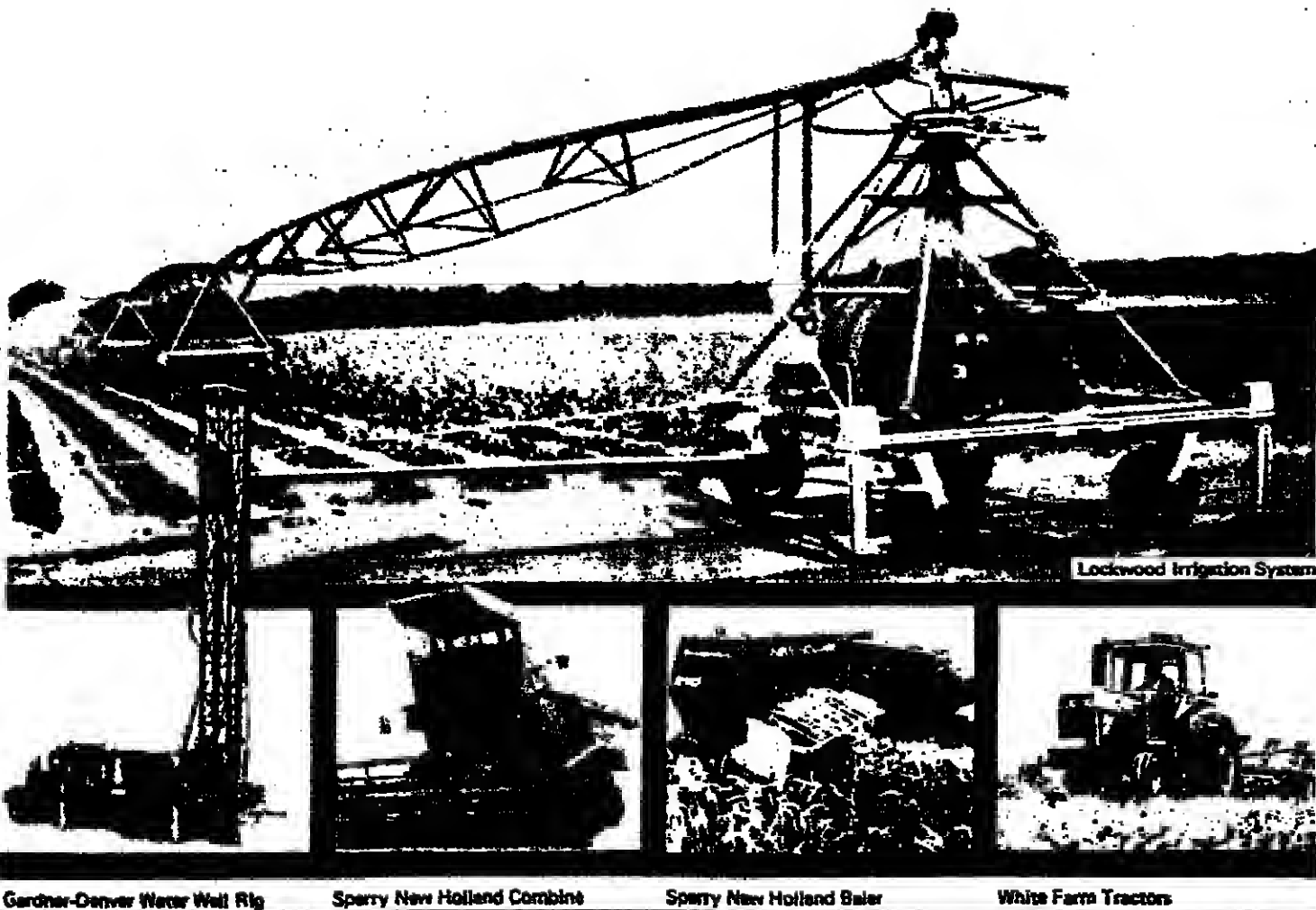
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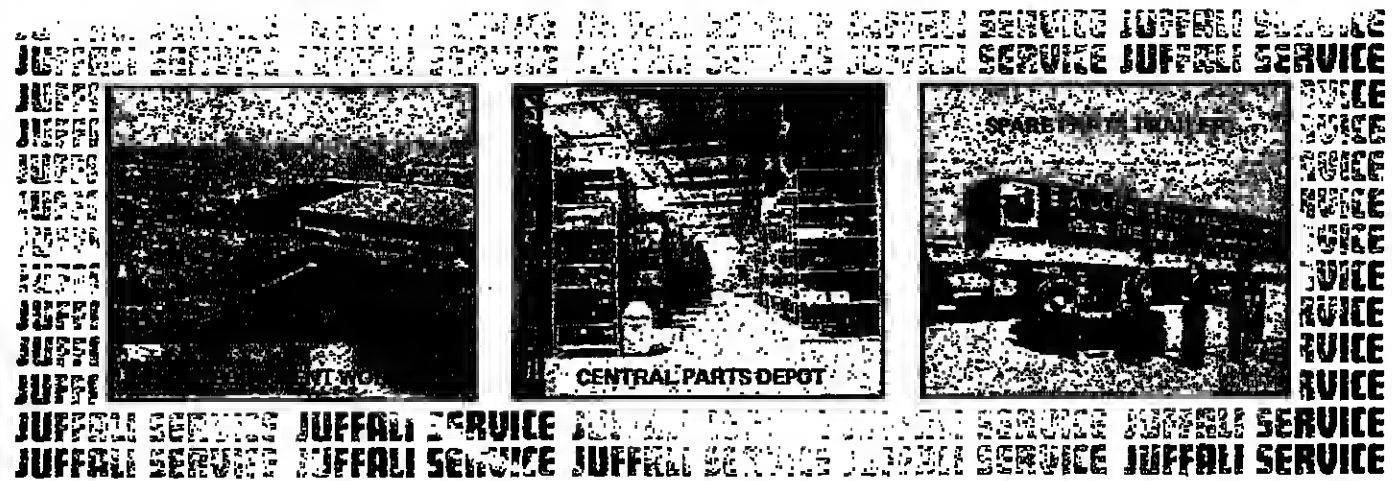
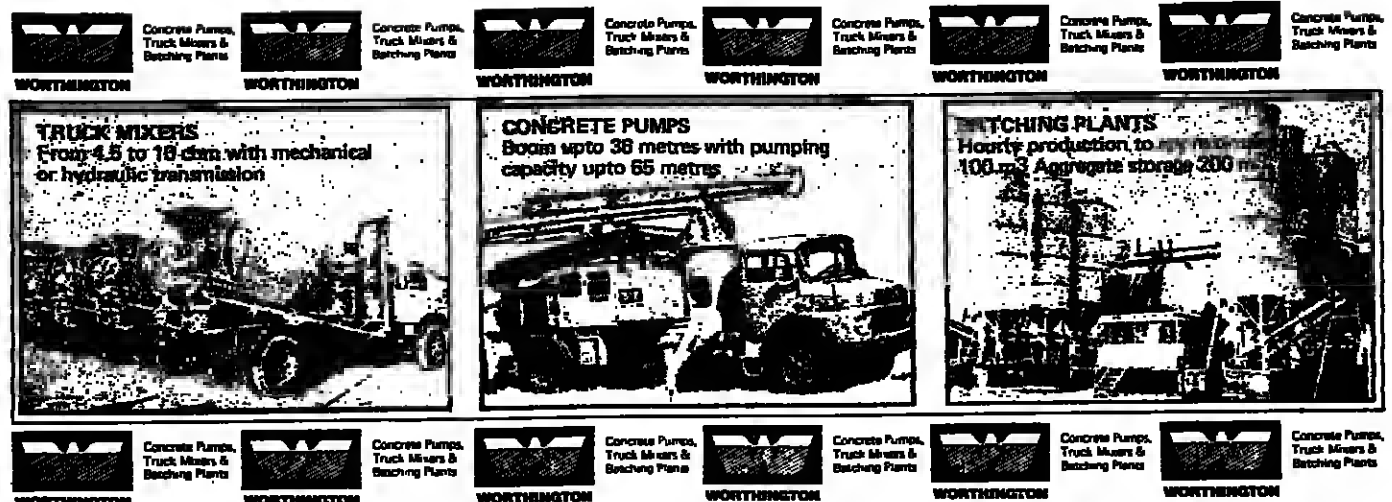
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As Gene Mayer sprains ankle

Connors walks away with title

LAS VEGAS, Nevada, April 26 (AP) — Jimmy Connors captured the \$370,000 Alan King-Casars Palace Tennis Classic Sunday when Gene Mayer defaulted with a sprained ankle.

Connors was leading 5-2 in the first set with the eighth game at dusk when Mayer suffered the latest in a string of injuries that has forced him to default or drop out of tournaments. The two had played only 41 minutes.

"I had gone to the corner, then came back to the center," Mayer said. "Then he hit the ball back into the corner and I was trying to get back... when I got caught wrong-footed."

"There was a lot of pain instantly, and then a lot of swelling. I knew immediately that it wasn't possible to continue the match. It feels like my whole body is one big ankle. It's a throbbing pain."

Connors' third title here was worth \$60,000. Ranked second in the world, Connors never had lost to Mayer in four career meetings. He had advanced to the final of the Volvo Grand Prix Tournament by beating Mayer's brother, Sandy, on Saturday.

It was the first time that Mayer has defaulted in a final. He had to default in the fourth round of last year's U.S. Open with cramps after being within two points of defeating Ramesh Krishnan of India. An injury also forced him to miss Wimbledon last year.

In the doubles, Sherwood Stewart and Ferdi Taygan defeated Van Witsky and Carlos Kirmayr 7-6, 6-4.

Meanwhile, Spain's Manuel Orantes beat compatriot Angel Gimenez 6-2, 6-0, Sunday to capture the \$144,000 State Express Classic Hard Court Tennis Championship in Bournemouth, England.

The 33-year-old Orantes defeated his unseeded opponent in a 72-minute match

marked by long rallies. It was Orantes' third Grand Prix victory since he last won at Bournemouth in 1975.

Since then, he has undergone four elbow or wrist operations, but now is planning an arduous campaign, including the Italian and French Championships. Defeat for the 17-year-old Gimenez came at the end of a week which saw him match-point down five times in three previous rounds and walkover in another.

In the doubles final, Britain's Buster Mottram and Australia's Paul McNamee defeated Ilie Nastase of Romania and Henri Leconte of France, 3-6, 7-6, 6-3. But Nastase teamed with Australia's Fred Stolle to win the over-35 doubles event 6-2, 7-6 over Ian Davidson of Australia and former Wimbledon champion Manuel Santana of Spain.

In Amelia Island, Florida, Chris Evert Lloyd took four straight love games in the second set from Andrea Jaeger, and went on to win 6-3, 6-1 in the final of the \$250,000 Murjani Women's Tennis Association Championships Saturday.

Lloyd avenged a clay court loss to the 16-year-old Jaeger at Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, two weeks ago, by beating her on clay and picking up the \$32,000 first prize.

Lloyd, 27, the touring pro at Amelia Island and defending champion in the event, now has an 8-2 edge in competition with Jaeger. The only other time Jaeger has defeated Lloyd was earlier this year on carpet in the Avon Championships of Oakland.

Only three complete matches were gone through as rain Sunday suspended the first day of action in the \$100,000 World Championship of Tennis Shipyard Classic at Hilton Head Island, South Carolina.

Powering out tennis elbow

ROCHESTER, New York, April 26 (AP) — An engineer at Xerox Corporation says he has come up with a way to string oversized tennis rackets so players get more power and control and possibly avoid tennis elbow.

T.C. Soong, who holds a doctoral degree in aeronautical and astronautical sciences, said the secret is to stretch the vertical strings to 90 pounds (41 kgs) of tension and pull them almost to the handle of the racket. Horizontal strings would be pulled as usual within racket head at about 50 pounds (23 kgs) of tension. Lengthening the vertical string enlarges the "sweet spot" and reduces vibrations, Soong said. Stretching

them tighter adds power, he added.

The concept only works on metal rackets, he said. Tests at the University of Rochester indicated that vibration is reduced up to 25 percent in racket strung this way, Soong said.

In conventional stringing, the vertical and horizontal strings are stretched to 50 to 60 pounds (23 to 27 kgs) of tension within the racket head. But the higher tension has been one of the biggest problems.

Nylon and gut can't long withstand the stress of hitting a ball at 90 pounds (41 kgs) of tension, and conventional knots loosen and give way. Soong has used a new technique of tightening the knots.

At San Marino Grand Prix

German fails to hoodwink organizers

IMOLA, Italy, April 26 (R) — Manfred Winkelhock of West Germany was disqualified from Sunday's San Marino Grand Prix because his car was under weight, race judges said.

Winkelhock's ATS was initially placed sixth after completing 54 of the 60 laps. But a post-race check showed the car weighed only 578 kg, against the permitted 580 kg minimum, the judges said. Ironically, a two over weight-cutting to combat the power advantage of turbo-charged cars lay behind the drastically-reduced 14-car field for Sunday's race.

Several leading teams withdrew after the decision to disqualify winner Nelson Piquet of Brabham and second-placed Keke Rosberg of Williams, from last month's Brazilian Grand Prix because their cars were alleged to be too light.

Winkelhock's disqualification lost him one World Championship point, which the judges said would not be awarded to another driver as seventh-placed Teo Fabi of Italy in a

Toleman failed to complete enough laps to qualify for a championship score.

Meanwhile, the Formula One motor racing scene shifts to Casablanca this week after Didier Pironi's controversial victory Sunday in a strife-torn San Marino Grand Prix. The 30-year-old Frenchman narrowly beat his Ferrari teammate Gilles Villeneuve of Canada in a taut contest that ended in off-track acrimony.

So angry Villeneuve, who was disqualified after finishing third in the U.S. Grand Prix (West) at Long Beach, said his teammate had pushed for the lead despite being shown the go-slow card.

The boiling dispute that International Motor Sport Federation (FISA) chiefs will try to resolve in Casablanca centers on the super-powerful turbo-charged cars which dominated Sunday's depleted race. Only 14 cars took the starting grid after the Formula One Constructors' Association (FOCA) called a boycott of the race, which most of its members observed.

The Brabham and Williams cars were said to have infringed the rules with weight-saving measures to compete with the turbos, in the Brazilian Grand Prix which led to Piquet's and Rosberg's disqualification and the present row.

Turbo manufacturers, including Renault and Ferrari, have countered with a threat to quit Formula One racing altogether if rule changes penalizing their cars, which could place FOCA, go through at Casablanca.

Meanwhile, Alain Prost of France, who was forced to withdraw Sunday when electrical failure hit his Renault, remains top of the World Drivers' Formula One Championship standings. But the standings issued Sunday by officials may themselves become a subject of controversy to be settled in Morocco.

FOCA President Bernard Ecclestone has been quoted in the Italian press as calling for San Marino results to be declared null and void on behalf of the boycotters, after some of motor racing's most famous names stayed away.

Page to take on veteran Young on May 2

NEW YORK, April 26 (APF) — Unbeaten heavyweight Greg Page continues his build-up to a world title fight by taking on veteran American Jimmy Young at Atlantic City, New Jersey, on May 2.

The 23-year-old Page, ranked No. 2 challenger by the World Boxing Council and No. 3 by the World Boxing Association, has stopped 16 of his 18 victims inside the distance.

The 33-year-old Young's finest hour was probably back in 1976 when he lost narrowly on points to Muhammad Ali. He has won 30, lost 11 and boxed two draws, winning his last five fights.

Meanwhile, the venues for the title defence for the winner of Monday night's World Boxing Association junior middleweight title fight in Johannesburg have been arranged.

Promoter Bob Arum said Monday that if American champion Davey Moore successfully defended his title he would take on top contender Ayub Kalule of Uganda in Las Vegas. If South African challenger Charlie Weir wins he would fight Kalule in his first title defense at Sun City.

The Copenhagen-based Kalule, a former champion, lost his title to Sugar Ray Leonard in Houston last year. Leonard later relinquished the title.

It was announced in London that Tony Sibson will defend the European middleweight title at Wembley on May 4. Sibson, who earned the status of No. 1 challenger to Marvin Hagler when he beat American Deight Davison in February, will have to wait before getting a crack at the World champion.



ALL CONCENTRATION: Jimmy Connors, who won the Las Vegas Open Grand Prix Sunday after his opponent Gene Mayer withdrew with a sprained ankle, is all concentration while going for a low stroke.

Baseball at a glance

RESULTS			STANDINGS		
American League			American League		
Saturday's Games			Eastern Division		
Detroit	7	New York	11	7	647
Boston	8	Toronto	9	6	600
Baltimore	7	Chicago	8	6	571
Milwaukee	4	Texas	6	8	429
Kansas City	5	Cleveland	6	8	439
California	4	Oakland	5	11	313
Seattle	3	Minnesota	4	10	286
Sunday's Games			Western Division		
Boston	5	Toronto	13	5	722
New York	3	Detroit	9	4	692
Baltimore	2	Chicago	9	6	600
Kansas City	6	Cleveland	9	10	474
Milwaukee	11	Texas	8	10	444
California	5	Oakland	6	8	429
Seattle	5	Minnesota	7	12	368
National League			National League		
Saturday's Games			Eastern Division		
St. Louis	7	Philadelphia	12	4	765
New York	1	Montreal	8	5	815
Pittsburgh	8	Chicago	9	7	563
San Diego	6	Atlanta	5	8	385
Cincinnati	3	Houston	6	11	353
Los Angeles	7	San Francisco	4	11	267
Sunday's Games			Western Division		
Montreal	5	New York	13	3	813
Philadelphia	8	St. Louis	11	4	733
Chicago	5	Pittsburgh	8	9	471
Cincinnati	4	Houston	6	10	375
San Francisco	6	Los Angeles	6	11	353
			7	12	333

Entries invited for cricket tourney

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, April 26 — Cricket season in Jeddah is in full bloom. After the successful completion of the Binzagr Benson and Hedges League, the Alireza League and, recently, the P.S.95 event, it is now the turn of Yellow Rose tournament to commence.

The Yellow Rose Six-A-Side annual event, which is sponsored by Sheikh Zainal Alireza, is set to begin on May 14. Teams wishing to participate should forward their teams, comprising eight players, to Shahid Amin by May 1. The draws for the tourney will be made on May 7.

Meanwhile, Sheikh Zainal Alireza presided over the prize-distribution function of the P.S.95 tournament. The prizes were given away by Tony Hall. Both, Sheikh Zainal Alireza and Tony Hall, offered their felicitations to the winners and also to the individual prize winners.

Shalimar, which won the tournament with a thrilling victory over Pak Saudi, had three of their team members in the prestigious list. Shaikat, who had dropped anchor when Shalimar's innings in the final was disintegrating, was adjudged the man of the final for his

superb all-round show. His valiant unbeaten 20 and a haul of two wickets for 13 runs went a long way in Shalimar's win.

Pak Saudi's Pervaz, who cracked an unbeaten 271 in the tournament, was easily the best batsman in the tournament, and was a deserving winner of the award. Shalimar's Afaq, who had tormented many a batsman with his flighted leg spinners, claimed the best bowler award on his haul of 11 for 57. Shalimar's stumper Shafiqat's showing of two catches and five stumpings in an innings was not surpassed, with second best performance award went to Sikander's Asim (51 and six for 36). And the best all-rounder award going to Sohail (Pak Jeddah) — 163 and five for 116.

The best all-round match performance award went to Sikander's Asim (51 and six for 36). And the best all-rounder award going to Sohail (Pak Jeddah) — 163 and five for 116.

Injury denies Dutch girl triple crown

BUDAPEST, April 26 (AFP) — Bettine Vrieskoop of the Netherlands won the women's singles event at the European Table Tennis Championships here when she beat England's Jill Hammersley 21-16, 8-21, 21-18, 21-23, 21-17.

The 21-year-old Vrieskoop had previously won the European junior title twice and was bronze medalist at the 1980 Championships in Bern. On Saturday with Andrzej Grubba of Poland, she won the mixed doubles title.

Vrieskoop, who has been favorite, snatched only a narrow victory in the first set against 31-year-old Hammersley. The English player responded by taking the second set by the clear cut margin of 21-8.

The Dutchwoman recovered her poise in the third, then succumbed narrowly in the fourth after, point-for-point battle. In the vital fifth set both players sensed victory and Vrieskoop had to struggle to down Hammersley 21-16.

Jumping for joy after winning the match, Vrieskoop fell and injured an ankle and withdrew from the women's double thereby losing the chance of earning a triple crown.

Vrieskoop was to partner Sandra de Kruif against Soviet pair of Flura Bulatova and Inna Kovalenko, who will collect the gold medal for a walkover victory. The Dutch pair will receive the silver.

Dragutin Surbek and Zoran Kalinic of Yugoslavia won the men's doubles title beating Hungarian pair Istvan Jonyer and Gabor Gergely 21-15, 21-17, 21-15.

Meanwhile, it was announced in Jakarta that a Chinese sports team is to play in Indonesia for the first time in 19 years at the Asian Table Tennis Championships from May 24 to June 3.

Chairman of the Indonesian Table Tennis Association, Justice Minister Ali said, the Indonesian Government had approved China's participation in the tournament along with 35 other foreign countries.

Indonesia has yet to resume diplomatic relations with China, broken off in 1966 over China's suspected involvement in a 1965 coup attempt. He said approval had been given on condition that the Chinese players' list should not be misused for political or semi-political purposes.

China, holder of all seven World Table Tennis title has announced it will send 15 players and nine officials. China last sent athletes here in 1963 to take part in the games of the new emerging forces (Ganefo), pioneered by the late President Sukarno, but not repeated since.

Nadeem to lead

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, April 26 — Nadeem of Samco XI will lead the Western Province Cricket XI against Eastern Province in the two-day friendly match to be played at the Saulex Oval, Alkhobar on April 29 and 30.

The match is being sponsored by the Arabian Gulf Est. Dammam, who will provide the trophy and a souvenir to each player.

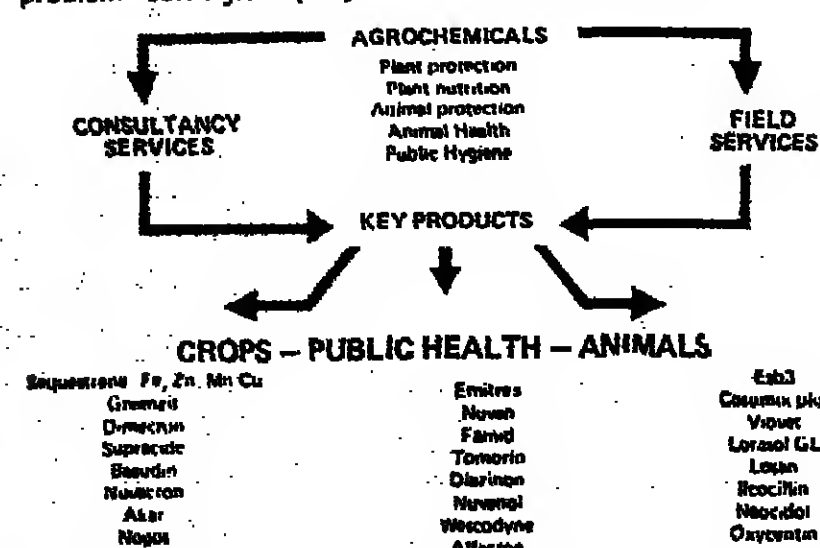
The WPCPL team that leaves at 3.00 a.m. on April 29th and consists of players that participated in Al-Hutaimi League is: Nadeem (Samco)-captain, Nasar Azam (vice captain — Indian Blues), Tariq (wk — JCC), Amjad, Arshad (Trans-Continental), Humayun Zaheer, Tanveer (Pak Young), Fazal, Saudagar (Abdullah Hashim), Mehmood (Petromin), Ijaz Khan (Indian Blues), Zia (JCC) and Azizullah (New Star). Shahid Shaber (Pak Young) standby; Sarwar Hussain (Petromin) manager.

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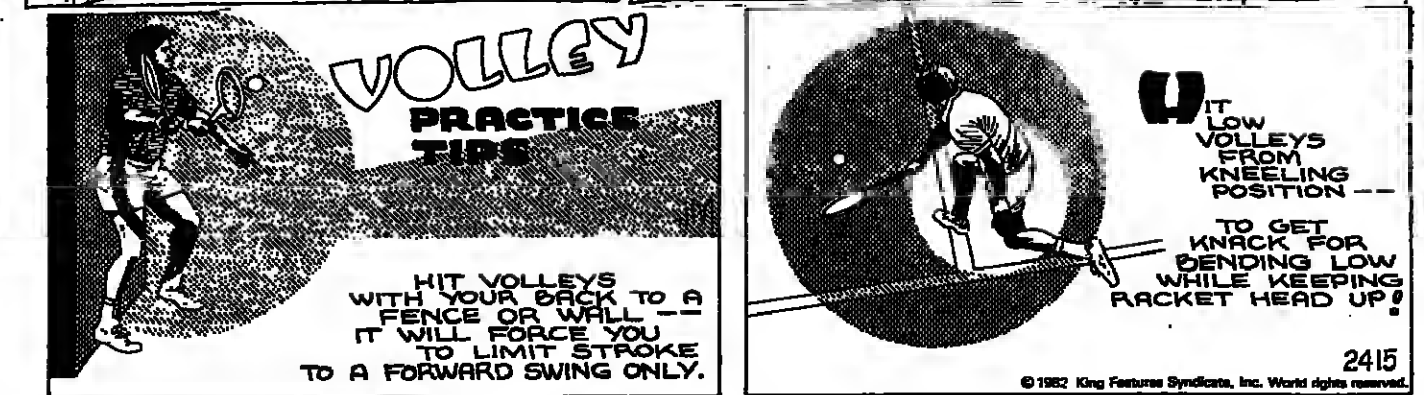
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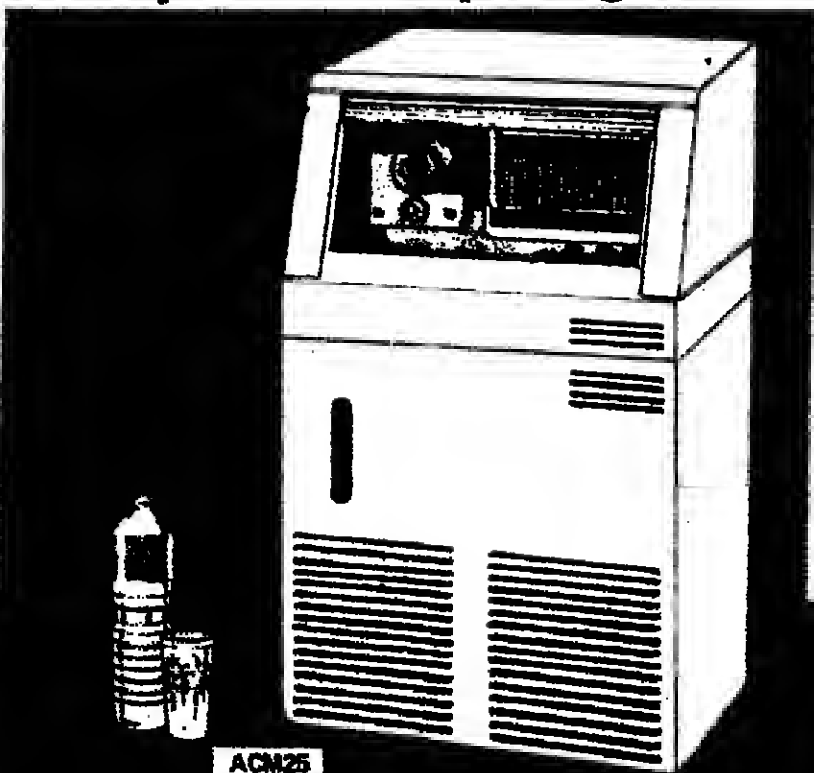


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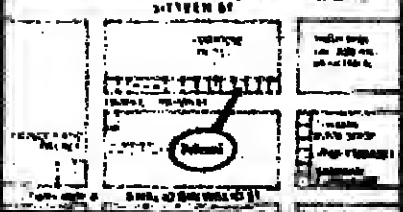


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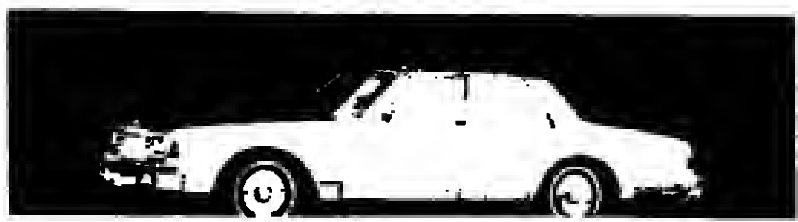
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International

Glomp meets Jaruzelski

Poland to restore self-rule in factories

WARSAW, April 26 (Agencies) — The Polish regime has announced it will gradually put into effect self-management of factories by their employees, a reform suspended when martial law was proclaimed last Dec. 13. This was decided by the plenary session of the Communist Party central committee that met Thursday and Friday.

A resolution made public Saturday night said the goal of economic reform is to boost efficiency and eliminate the old system of bureaucratic management and planning completely.

But the central committee insisted that the Communist Party should have a right to oversee enterprises when they manage themselves. The reactivation of the self-management reform is to take place "gradually as propitious political, economic and organizational conditions arise in enterprises."

The central committee recommended that Communist Party members work with management to nominate candidates for the self-management bodies "chosen among the best workers, the most competent and the most responsible." This indicated that the membership of self-management committees already set up by the now suspended independent labor federation "solidarity" will be modified.

The central committee also said it is "indispensable" to intensify efforts to introduce self-financing of state enterprises. To enable them to pay for themselves, enterprises must educate workers in economics so they will boost their productivity and jobs will answer "production needs," the resolution specified.

This indicated that excess work forces in factories will be reduced. ("The party's duty is to see that the process of moving manpower takes place in conformity with principles of social justice," the resolution stated.) The central committee (the party's parliament) also approved the principle of competitive examinations for the positions of enterprise directors and heads of "industrial trust."

The principle of self-management was first approved last July, but the question of how much self-management to allow was the subject of sharp controversy between Solidarity and the regime. The resolution admitted there are obstacles to reforming the economy: shortages of supplies, and a feeling of "powerlessness that has not yet been surmounted everywhere. Minds must adapt to

America to lift Guatemala ban

NEW YORK, April 26 (AFP) — The United States has ended its arms embargo on Guatemala, clamped down four years ago by President Jimmy Carter because of the Central American country's breach of human rights, *The New York Times* reported.

The newspaper, quoting official sources, said that the U.S. administration decided to end the arms freeze as a gesture to the month-old regime of Gen. Efraim Rios Montt which is respecting human rights.

The United States is expected to approve the sale of \$4 million in spare parts for U.S.-made helicopters being used by the Guatemala Army against leftist rebels. It could also restore a \$50,000 military training fund, and was hoping "to resume support for loans to Guatemala in the Inter-American Development Bank and other financial institutions," *The New York Times* said.

A State Department spokesman said on Friday that the U.S. administration was happy at "positive measures" taken by the New Guatemala regime in the fields of human rights and in the struggle against "violence and corruption." The spokesman, asked about ending the arms embargo, replied: "We are carefully studying this question."

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new management mechanisms which demand initiative and ingenuity."

In another development, Poland's martial law ruler Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski met Sunday with Roman Catholic primate Jozef Glomp before Glomp left for the Vatican, the Polish news agency PAP reported.

PAP gave no details of the unexpected meeting, which was held at a government housing complex in central Warsaw. Most observers speculated the two leaders met to discuss solutions to the political stalemate that has developed since the start of martial law. The meeting is only the second official session to be reported here since Jaruzelski declared martial law. The meeting took place in the same house where Glomp and Jaruzelski met with interned Solidarity union chief Lech Walesa last Nov. 4.

Glomp, who left Monday morning for the Vatican is expected to inform the Polish-born Pope John Paul II of the political situation here and discuss church strategy for dealing with the current crisis.

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Red China counting heads

PEKING, April 26 (AP) — China, the world's most populous nation, is using 360 million yuan (\$200 million) and 5.1 million workers to count exactly how many people it has as of midnight June 30, its chief census taker said Monday.

For its first census in 18 years, China has \$15.6 million in aid from the United Nations, mostly for 21 of the 29 computers to be used to tabulate the results, Li Chengrui, director of the census office, told a news conference.

Li declined to guess how close the number would be to the one billion usually given as China's population, but he said a pilot census among the 946,000 persons of the southeast

Beirut police unit to protect envoys

BEIRUT, April 26 (R) — A 420-strong diplomatic security unit drawn from Lebanon's police force went on duty Monday to protect diplomats, embassies and other foreign institutions. The unit, whose strength will rise gradually to 800 men, was set up in response to a series of attacks on embassies and diplomats in this violence-ridden country.

In a ceremony launching the unit, Beirut police chief Sami Al-Tabara told his men their job was to persuade diplomats to stay, to stop Lebanon becoming isolated from the world. Ambassadors from several Arab states have left Beirut for fear of kidnappings and assassinations.

The unit, armed with American rifles and revolvers, has its own operations room with direct access to Prime Minister Sbfaiq Al-Wazzao, who is also interior minister. The decision to improve the protection of diplomats was made after gunman kidnapped a British diplomat to Beirut on March 15 and held him for 36 hours. Since then attacks have been launched on Iraqi, French and U.S. diplomats.

French office guard in Vienna shot

VIENNA, April 26 (AP) — A security guard was shot by an unknown gunman in front of the French trade office here Monday, police said. Police said the officer was seriously injured but gave no further information on the attack.

The shooting followed a coordinated bomb attack on the French Embassy and the French national airline office here last Monday. No one was injured in the previous incidents, but there was extensive damage to buildings near the airline's office. Following last Monday's bombings, special guards were posted at all French installations in the city.

In a telephone call to Austrian railroad authorities last Monday an unidentified man threatened to place a bomb aboard the overnight Vienna-to-Paris express, prompting added security measures to be taken on the train.

The trade office shooting follows the assassination of a French diplomat and his wife in Beirut earlier this month, and recent threats against French interests abroad.

In early March, the French Embassy at The Hague received a threatening letter demanding release of two terrorists held in Paris.

Booby-trapped car explodes in Belfast

BELFAST, April 26 (AFP) — A booby-trapped car exploded in a Catholic district here shortly after midnight, injuring eight persons with flying glass. A Northern Ireland police spokesman said the car was parked between two late-night clubs.

There had been no warning given, and some three hours after the blast it remained unclaimed, the spokesman noted. He refused to speculate about who might be responsible. The attack was of the kind normally carried out by the IRA, but occurred in a Catholic area.

Britain's foray into South Georgia could backfire

LONDON, April 26 (R) — Britain has taken a gamble in Falklands crisis by using force to regain the desolate island of South Georgia after 22 days of Argentine occupation. Government officials said they were confident Sunday's swift military foray to the South Atlantic would add muscle to Britain's bargaining position in negotiating a settlement.

Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher called on Britons to "rejoice" that their flag was flying again in South Georgia. While the official mood was buoyant, diplomats conceded there may now be no other way to dislodge Argentina from the main Falklands islands except for a costly military showdown.

Britain's gamble is that the commando raid on South Georgia will yield military, political and diplomatic advantages that were lacking to two weeks of U.S.-sponsored negotiations. But political analysts believe there is a risk Britain's first use of armed power overseas for 25 years could backfire.

They say it could make Argentina's ruling military junta more intransigent, help rally support for Buenos Aires from beset Latin American neighbors, and conceivably wreck the already faltering U.S. mediation

effort. Britain apparently decided to use force after concluding it would be impossible to secure Argentine political concessions without a show of strength, the analysts said.

The government has said since the crisis started that a formidable British naval force, dispatched immediately after Argentine troops seized the Falklands on April 2, would be ready to take action if diplomacy failed. Officials insisted the threat would have lacked credibility if Britain had failed to land commandos in South Georgia, and that Britain was still determined to negotiate.

In deciding to take the island, Britain reckoned there would be minimal casualties and that South Georgia could be isolated politically from the emotion-laden Falklands issue as a whole. Although Argentina, basing itself on former Spanish ownership which it says it inherited, has laid claim to the Falklands for 150 years, it has no historic links with South Georgia, a Falklands dependency it claimed only in 1927.

Militarily, the capture of South Georgia provides a deep water anchorage, a helicopter launch-pad and a landing site for carrier-borne vertical take-off Harrier jets in an area where Britain has few logistical

advantages.

Britain now has to decide whether to do battle with an estimated 10,000 Argentine troops, backed up by air and sea power, for the main Falklands or to wait for a second phase in the negotiating effort. A key factor is that winter is closing in and that already military operations are hampered by icy winds and raging seas.

Further delay could force Britain to keep its fleet locked into a long blockade 8,000 miles from home, with a risk that time might work diplomatically in Argentina's favor. U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig's mediation almost crumbled at the weekend when Britain reacted coldly to a new set of American proposals, including ideas Haig felt he could sell to Argentina.

The United States hoped to trade an Argentine withdrawal for the halting or recall of the British fleet, while an interim administration took over in the Falklands, leaving the crucial issue of sovereignty to be decided later.

While Britain has indicated readiness to accept some form of joint administration and even to yield sovereignty if the 1,800 islanders agree, its first demand is that Argentine troops must pull out initially. Argentine Foreign Minister Nicanor Costa

Mendez suspended negotiations and postponed a planned meeting with Haig in Washington shortly after the South Georgia attack was announced.

U.S. diplomats believe Britain's military action may not be enough to scuttle negotiations, but could make them even more complex and tougher than before. If talks fail, the Thatcher government is expected to face heavy domestic pressure from the Labor Party opposition to take the conflict into the United Nations or to refer it for arbitration to the International Court of Justice.

But British ministers appear confident that a breakdown in negotiations would force the United States to side openly with Britain and impose sanctions which they think could shatter the Argentine economy and weaken the military junta's resolve.

Some observers believe the South Georgia attack may be enough to satisfy hardliners in Mrs. Thatcher's Conservative Party, and that she will now have a freer hand in negotiations. Mrs. Thatcher, so far backed by her European allies, must also weigh whether international support will hold up if Britain is involved in outright war with Argentina. This could be a decisive consideration in charting Britain's next move.

Gen. Prem starts parley in Vienna

VIENNA, April 26 (AFP) — The official part of a three-day visit here by Thailand's Prime Minister, Gen. Prem Tinsulanonda, began Monday with talks with Chancellor Bruno Kreisky, and a reception at Vienna city hall.

Kreisky decorated Gen. Prem with the Order of Gold of the Republic of Austria. The two later discussed international events, particularly the Southeast Asian situation. Gen. Prem also had a meeting scheduled for later Monday with Rudolf Kirchschlaeger, the president of Austria.

Gen. Prem, who arrived Sunday, is accompanied by a large delegation including the ministers of foreign affairs, industry and agriculture. The discussions Monday and Tuesday will cover international questions with emphasis on matters relating to Southeast Asia such as refugees, neutrality, nonalignment and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) of which Thailand is a member, observers said.

Tuesday will be devoted to economic questions. Austria is currently building a paperworks for Thailand, at a total cost of 2,800 million schillings (about \$165 million). Gen. Prem has expressed optimism over a possible increase in cooperation between the two countries in the political, economic, scientific and technological fields.

Geo. Prem also met with Vienna Mayor Leopold Gratz, who said in a welcoming speech that "relations between Austria and Thailand are growing." Gen. Prem leaves Vienna Tuesday afternoon for Britain and France.

12 Indians killed

NEW DELHI, April 26 (AP) — Twelve persons were killed and 50 injured when a strong hurricane accompanied by heavy rain lashed part of northeastern India, the United News of India reported Monday.

Gusting up to 120 kilometers per hour, the storm damaged hundreds of homes as well as a medical college and an engineering school Sunday night, the news agency said.

The hurricane also knocked out power and communication lines in the Cachar district of Assam state, the report added. A radio station temporarily was knocked off the air by the storm, UNI said. Authorities rushed medical and relief teams to the hurricane-battered area.

In western India an earthquake measuring 4.5 on the Richter scale shook the cities of Kolhapur, Satara, Karad and Sangli on Monday, rattling windows and causing people to rush from their homes onto the streets, UNI reported.

In Karad, the quake temporarily knocked out electric power, the news agency said. All four towns are in India's Maharashtra state. No damage or casualties were reported immediately.

Laser technology used Taipei produces combat jet

TAIPEI, April 26 (AFP) — Nationalist China's military industry has produced the prototype of a combat jet and is also developing a high-speed missile patrol Corvette, according to reports quoting military authorities here Monday.

There have been a series of announcements in recent months from the military authorities on the successful development of new weapons, apparently aimed at boosting morale following the recent refusal by the United States to supply Nationalist China (Taiwan) with advanced aircraft. Such information was previously considered confidential, and as such, was rarely made public.

Last week, the official *Central Daily* said that researchers in Taiwan's defense industry had made significant progress in applying laser technology to weapons systems.

Some locally made weapons, the paper said, were using lasers in their guidance systems.

3 women jailed in German gang case

BERLIN, April 26 (AP) — A West Berlin court found three West German women guilty of having supported a criminal gang and sentenced them to prison terms between 45 and 54 months Monday. But the court acquitted the accused of charges they were members of the Baader-Meinhof and June 2 Movement terrorist gangs.

French police arrested Regina Nicolai, 27, Karola Magg, 32, and Karin Kamp-Muennich, 26, in May, 1980, in one of two apartments the court said they rented and maintained in Paris as terrorist bases for the Red Army Faction, better known as the Baader-Meinhof Gang, and the June 2 Movement.

For the same purpose, the court said, the trio rented another apartment in Milan, Italy. When police raided the apartments, they found a workshop equipped for counterfeiting, ammunition, and large amounts of money, some of which police said was from the ransom paid for the release of kidnapped Austrian industrialist Walter Palmers in 1977.

The three suspects were not in court when the judge read the verdict. Miss Nicolai received four-and-a-half years, the other two defendants three years and nine months each.

In 33 days of trial, the court said the prosecution failed to submit sufficient evidence

to prove that the three accused were members of a criminal gang and personally participated in any terrorist acts. But they harbored a fanatical hatred against the order prevailing in West Germany and had plotted to fight it with terrorist actions, the court said.

The paper said that the jet which had been developed from the Nationalist Chinese Air Force's Xat-2 twin-engine trainer was suitable for giving close support to land and sea operations and was undergoing test flights.

The director of the Defense Ministry's Sun Yat Sen Institute of Science, Gen. Tang Chun Po, told a meeting of the Taiwan strategy society that foreign experts had been invited to help with the designing of the Corvettes.

He said that research scientists and engineers would concentrate efforts in coming years on the development of high-yield explosives, and guided missiles, including laser-guided and automatically guided air-to-air, air-to-ground and ground-to-air short-range missiles.

Alleged CIA spy jailed in Zambia

LUSAKA, Zambia, April 26 (AP) — A former Zambian intelligence agent was jailed for 20 years Monday after being convicted of spying for the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency.

Webster Lumbe, 31, a former political officer in the Foreign Affairs Department and former member of the intelligence and security services, was convicted by the Lusaka High Court in camera of having passed information to the CIA "intended to be directly or indirectly useful to a foreign power" from 1979 to 1981.

Justice Wamulungwe Maina sentenced Lumbe, saying Lumbe decided to work for the CIA because he was bitter about not being sent overseas. In June 1981, two American diplomats were accused of spying and expelled from Zambia. Lumbe's case was apparently linked to that expulsion.

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Bangkok	29	84	35	95	clear	Montreal	7	45	23	73	clear
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Berlin	6	43	14	57	cloudy	New Delhi	22	71	33	91	rain
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